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IDF releases 200 captured 'RPG kids'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ANZAR, Lebanon. — The 200 "RPG kids" captured by Israel while they were fighting with the PLO against the Israeli Defence Forces, were released from the newly built prisoner camp near this village yesterday afternoon.

The boys, aged from 10 to 16, were turned over to the International Red Cross by the Military Police and were taken to their homes in the Sidon and Tyre areas on three IRC trucks.

All were released under the IDF's policy of not keeping boys in prison despite the fact that some were captured while actually firing at Israeli troops. One had shot down an Israeli helicopter with a rocket-propelled grenade, killing the crew.

The tough-looking boys appeared as happy and excited as children going on a holiday. All denied they had fought against Israeli troops or fired RPGs at them.

They maintained they had been schoolboys and were only interested in peace. They said they had been well-treated by the IDF.

Nevertheless, when photographers appeared on the scene, a few of the boys reflexively raised their hands in the PLO 'V' sign. Their comrades hastily pulled their hands down.

The boys looked like street kids, some with large tattoos on their arms. Their heads were shaved. Only the smiles on their freshly washed faces softened the features of these boys, who were perhaps the PLO's most inhuman invention — the forced recruitment of young boys into the

rank of the terrorist organization and training them to handle lethal weapons.

The boys wore blue work pants issued by the IDF and white T-shirts. The IRC issued each one a blanket in a plastic cover. On the way home to Tyre and Sidon, they waved to everybody, including Israeli soldiers to whom they shouted: "Shalom!"

Your reporter followed one truck to Tyre. Every now and then, the truck stopped and one of the boys would jump off and run into the arms of relatives for a tearful reunion. People on the street waved back, but in Tyre there were also some angry shouts of *Mehurabin!* (Terrorists!).

I followed the truck into the nearby Rashadiye refugee camp, where the inhabitants were surprised by the boys' arrival. Kisses, embraces and tears were interspersed with shouts of "Where is my son?" and "Where are our husbands?"

The boys were replaced in the prison camp by several busloads of adult PLO prisoners brought from Israel. The camp, built by the Military Police during the past month, can accommodate about 7,000 prisoners; it is not full.

The men are housed in tents and have been granted complete autonomy within the compound. They are issued the day's rations in the morning — based on standard IDF rations — and are responsible for their own cooking and distribution. Only liaison men speaking Hebrew or English have contact with guards. The prisoners are free to spend their time from dawn to dusk as they wish.



A Syrian SAM-6 missile launcher lies smashed after it was knocked out by the Israeli Air Force. (Yossi Elmakis, I.P.P.A.)

Shamir: war in Lebanon nearly over

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir yesterday expressed his conviction that Israel is in the final stage of the war. He was reporting to the Knesset on his ministry's activities.

"At this moment," he said, "there is still a spark of hope that the political activity will succeed in getting the murderers out of their holes and remove them from Lebanon. But the terrorists should know that, one way or another, their fate is sealed, and no delay and no factor will change this fact."

The debate was placid except for a flare-up during the speech of former foreign minister Abba Eban, who led off for the Alignment.

When Eban said that there was no sign of an agreement on the terrorists' leaving Lebanon, Yosef Rom (Likud) called out: "Don't you think that was caused by the words of the opposition against our entering Beirut?"

That called forth a chorus of shouts from Alignment MKs, lasting about five minutes, charging Rom, and the Likud in general, with demagoguery, lying, and incitement. Banging on his desk repeatedly, Daniel Rosolio shouted: "You're charging half the Knesset with helping the PLO."

Alignment members demanded that Rom apologize, and Speaker Menahem Savidor at first took the stand that he had not heard what

Rom had said, and that in any case it had not been made from the podium. Quiet was restored, but not for long.

Eban resumed his speech: "All I said was that the situation today is worse than it was two weeks ago. At this, with an abundance of anti-parliamentary arrogance, Knesset Member Rom suggested that the deterioration stemmed from the encouragement of the PLO by (pointing to the Alignment) this camp. I won't answer your question. I'll never answer any question of yours. I won't participate with you on any platform of debate or

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Reagan delays cluster bomb deliveries

Seeing Arab envoys today

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan yesterday suspended delivery of cluster bombs to Israel pending completion of a study on whether Israel used that weapon illegally in Lebanon. Other U.S. arms scheduled for delivery to Israel will not be affected, the White House said.

Deeply concerned about the Israeli-PLO standoff in Beirut and the latest outbreak of fighting along the Iran-Iraq border, Reagan yesterday convened his National Security Council to consider the entire Middle East situation.

Earlier in the day, the White House and State Department said the U.S. was conducting an overall review in policy. It actually got underway Saturday when Secretary of State George Shultz had a full-day "brainstorming" session on the Middle East.

Officials cautioned against calling it a "reassessment," a word pejoratively associated with a 1975 review of U.S. policy during the Ford-Kissinger administration. During that six-month "reassessment," U.S.-Israeli relations were strained as Washington sought to pressure Israel into accepting a Sinai II interim agreement with Egypt. No new U.S. arms contracts with Israel were signed during that period.

The National Security Council meeting came on the eve of Reagan's session today at the White House with the visiting foreign ministers of Syria and Saudi Arabia, Abdul-Halim Khaddam and Prince Saud Faisal, respectively.

Last night the two foreign ministers met jointly with Shultz at the State Department. They have come to Washington under the auspices of the Arab League.

Department spokesman Dean Fischer told reporters that the third member of the delegation — Khalid el-Hassan, a top adviser to PLO chairman Yasser Arafat — would not be allowed to meet with any U.S. officials.

The U.S. extended an entry visa to the PLO official because he also is a member of the Kuwaiti delegation to the UN.

Neither Fischer nor deputy White House press secretary Larry Speakes said how long the current review in U.S. policy would last.

Among those participating in Shultz's Saturday session was former secretary of state Henry Kissinger. Asked whether Kissinger might be sent to the Middle East — as widely reported — Fischer replied cautiously: "Not to my knowledge at this time."

What remains clear here is that high U.S. officials remain deeply worried about the situation in Beirut. Unless some breakthrough comes during Reagan's meeting with the two foreign ministers, the Americans fear that Israel might

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Brief exchanges of fire in Beirut with PLO

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

There were several short exchanges of fire between Israeli troops and the PLO in Beirut yesterday. No Israeli casualties were reported.

Most of the exchanges were limited to light-arms fire, with Israel responding against specific targets with tanks.

Yesterday's exchanges were reported to be "much lighter" than Sunday's.

Beirut was the site of huge traffic jams yesterday, as thousands of families tried to make their way back to the PLO-controlled areas of West Beirut. Very few people were reported leaving the area. Queues several kilometres long formed near the three Israeli roadblocks to the west. Official policy was not to permit other than "special cases" to return, but exceptions were more common than enforcement of the rule.

Israeli officers on the scene said that the increased movement back to the west was a result of the long period of indecision. Most people had been staying with their families for up to a month, and were anxious to return home, despite the risks.

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon said in Beirut yesterday that there was still a chance that the ejection of the PLO from Beirut could be accomplished by diplomatic means. He had met with American negotiator Philip Habib to assess

the situation. Sharon reiterated that Israel's patience was limited, and Israel's offer to give temporary refuge to any terrorist "whose hands were not dripping with blood" was still open.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin said last night that he hoped that "the Beirut problem would be solved within two or three weeks." He said this at a meeting of the coalition executive called to discuss the date of the coming local authorities elections.

UPI reported that Israel yesterday permitted the Red Cross to drive 145 tons of flour into the PLO-controlled sector of Beirut. But passage of fuel was still denied.

Menachem Horowitz adds: On the eastern sector of the front, an IDF patrol discovered three mines planted by terrorists near Jib Jannin, close to the cease-fire line with the Syrians in the Bekaa Valley. The mines were dismantled with no injuries to IDF troops.

The mines were found close to the spot where a bus carrying Lebanese children set off a mine last week. In that explosion, six children were killed and 24 wounded.

Terrorists are making regular attempts to infiltrate from the area held by the Syrians, an IDF officer said yesterday. There have been intermittent exchanges of fire along the cease-fire line for some days.

Saudia supplies Lebanon via Israel

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Visiting Israeli minister Ya'acov Meridor who is responsible for relief efforts in Lebanon, disclosed yesterday that Israel was permitting food supplies from Saudi Arabia to enter Lebanon via Ben-Gurion Airport.

He said that planes carrying the food, with Red Cross markings, were arriving at Ben-Gurion Airport almost daily.

Meridor, who said Israel was not checking the origin of the food supplies, denied that Israel was blocking any shipments of food into West Beirut.

At an Israeli Embassy news conference, he disputed an earlier State Department and White House com-

plaint that the food situation in West Beirut was "grim." He said he had no idea where the U.S. government had come up with that assessment, insisting: "There is no danger of starvation in West Beirut."

Meridor, here to explain Israel's relief efforts in Lebanon, charged the Western news media with conducting "a smear campaign" against Israel. He called the earlier reported figures of killed, wounded and homeless "unbelievably exaggerated."

He also promised to cooperate fully with Peter McPherson, the head of the U.S. government Agency for International Development (AID), who is in charge of U.S. relief efforts in Lebanon.

Desert heat slows Iran's push on Basra

NICOSIA. — Extreme daytime desert heat, as high as 48 degrees centigrade, has forced a lull in the fighting between Iran and Iraq in the Basra region, several Iranian assaults during the weekend and has created problems for Iran in supplying water to its troops and vehicles, U.S. intelligence sources said yesterday. The Iranian army is poised at the end of a long supply line, creating logistics difficulties, the sources said.

Iran claimed yesterday that its forces were consolidating positions inside Iraq after fighting off fresh counter-attacks by Iraqi troops, defending the strategic southern Iraqi oil port of Basra.

Iraq countered the Iranian claim and said its forces were firmly in control of the southern sector of the 500-kilometre battlefield after a series of "swift counter-offensives."

An Iranian military communique carried by the state-run Teheran Radio claimed that an Iraqi offensive launched at dawn yesterday was repulsed and said Iranian troops were poised for a final assault to "eliminate the enemy forces inside Iraqi territory."

Western reporters who visited the Iraqi front over the weekend, under escort, said the latest fighting appeared concentrated a few hundred metres around the border itself, with both sides making skirmishes into each others territory.

But from a distance of about 12 kilometres from the frontier "We could hear almost continuous artillery fire, and later in the day I saw an Iranian Phantom jet shot down close to Basra itself," a British Broadcasting Corporation reporter said.

Iraqi officers said the Iranian invasion penetrated to within 5 km. of the strategic Shatt-el-Arab waterway, but then 100,000 Iranians were trapped against a big artificial lake and their lines of retreat cut.

The Iraqis claimed they killed 1,000 Iranians in the battle. An American cameraman said he counted 300 bodies in one sector. Iraq displayed 20 captured Iranian tanks and some 800 Iranian prisoners. (AP, UPI)

Foreigners flee Basra

LONDON (UPI). — Iraq's air force yesterday struck Iranian troop concentrations opposite the Iraqi port of Basra and scores of foreigners began evacuating from the threatened city to escape an expected new Iranian offensive.

Spokesmen for the British and Swiss foreign ministries in London and Geneva said nationals of both countries were advised to leave.

Japanese, Soviet, Chinese and South Korean nationals received similar advice from their embassies in Baghdad.

IDF must find winter shelter for refugees in Lebanon

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

The Israel Defence Forces has a problem in southern Lebanon to find shelter before the winter for between 20,000 and 30,000 Palestine Arab refugees left homeless in the camps, the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee was told yesterday.

This number represents about one half of the total refugee-camp population inside the Israeli lines, according to Tat-Aluf David Maimon, who is in charge of civilian aid to Lebanon.

Palestinians living outside the camps behind the Israeli lines, for whom the problem of shelter does not exist, account for another 40,000 or so, Maimon said.

The homeless are staying in schools and unfinished buildings, he said. The Defence Ministry will probably decide in a few days on

housing plans for them.

One view, he said, advocated rebuilding the destroyed homes in the former refugee camps. Another view would spread the homeless among a large number of localities in Lebanon, Maimon said.

He said that the International Red Cross was gradually being given the names of PLO suspects detained by the IDF in order to inform their families.

He noted that the U.S. had already allocated \$60 million through various agencies working in Lebanon. However, he complained, the Lebanese authorities were not cooperative in rehabilitation work for the Palestinians, since they did not want the Palestinians to stay in Lebanon.

Lebanese merchants had imported \$1.8 m. worth of goods from Israel in the past month,

he reported.

Maimon said: "I hope we shall have the wisdom and the strength not to interfere in the pattern of inter-community relations in Lebanon. We have to treat all the communities equally."

Prof. Menahem Milson, who heads the civil administration in Judea and Samaria, said that some Arabs there now talked of amending the PLO's Palestine Convention to exclude the liquidation-of-Israel clauses. However, they would keep the demand for a Palestinian "homeland," he said.

Tat-Aluf Yosef Lunz, the military commander of the Gaza District, told the committee that the dismissed mayor of the city, Rashid e-Shawwa, was neither "representative nor moderate," as the critics of his dismissal had claimed.

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HONG KONG	22	27	Clear
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LONDON	18	23	Clear
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NEW YORK	18	23	Clear
PARIS	18	23	Clear
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Jerusalem	30	30-32
Golan	30	30-31
Nahariya	30	30-31
Safed	30	30-31
Haifa Port	30	30-31
Tiberias	30	30-31
Nazareth	30	30-31
Alona	30	30-31
Sharmat	30	30-31
Tel Aviv	30	30-31
B-G Airport	30	30-31
Jericho	30	30-31
Clara	30	30-31
Beer-Sheva	30	30-31
Eilat	30	30-31

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor yesterday received a delegation of printed and electronic news media people from Belgium who are here as guests of the United Israel Appeal — Keren Hayesod.

ARRIVALS

Officers of American Mizrahi Women: Mrs. Dina Dickman, honorary national president, Mrs. Aphia Leifer, honorary national president, Mrs. Gertrude Goldberger, honorary national financial secretary, and Mrs. Ben Young, honorary national vice-president, to visit the projects of American Mizrahi Women in Israel.

DEPARTURES

Dr. Ellyahu Ben-Elisar, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, to Montreal, on behalf of Israel Bonds, and for an informational lecture tour in Canada and the U.S.

More visits allowed to jailed Arabs

Arab security prisoners in Israeli jails will be entitled to fortnightly visits instead of the once-in-two-months visits permitted in the past, Prisons Commissioner Mordechai Wertheimer announced yesterday. The Prisons Services spokesman, Shimon Malka, added that within two months all security prisoners will get beds. Most now sleep on mattresses on the floor. As a gesture to Moslem security prisoners during the three-day Eid al-Fitr holiday beginning tomorrow, special family visits will be permitted. Dignitaries from Judea, Samaria and the Gaza District will be permitted to visit prisoners and give them gift parcels. The dignitaries will also join prisoners in special prayer services conducted by Moslem clergymen.

HOME NEWS

Israel can't bail out Habib, Deputy Premier Levy says

Jerusalem Post Reporter
KIRYAT SHMONA. — Deputy Prime Minister David Levy said yesterday that Israel could not be expected to bail U.S. special envoy Philip Habib out of the difficulties in the stalled negotiations over the future of Lebanon now being held in Beirut.

Levy was here at the head of a delegation of ministers, deputy ministers and ministry directors, general who toured Galilee settlements yesterday to assess the situation following Operation Peace for Galilee and to discuss plans for stepped-up development of the area.

Israel will not tolerate a war of attrition along the present cease-fire line in Lebanon, Levy said. But the terrorists' situation was worsening and some sort of settlement was not far off. The delegation, which visited Nahariya, Kiryat Shmona and Metulla, devoted most of its time to a discussion of ways to increase the Jewish population of Galilee and how to improve job opportunities and the quality of life in the region. More money will be spent on improving the road systems, and better loan and mortgages will be offered to those living in the north and those moving here from the centre of the country, Levy said.

JERUSALEM POST POLL

'Lebanese war hasn't affected peace chances with Jordan'

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — More than half of the public considers that the war in Lebanon has made little difference for the prospects of peace with Jordan, with one third thinking that the chances have improved. A little over half of the public is unwilling to make any territorial concessions in Judea and Samaria, while more than one third are amenable to territorial compromise. These are the findings of *The Jerusalem Post* poll conducted by the Mod'lin Ezrahi Research Institute at the end of June and in early July among a sampling of 1,236 adults. Institute director Dr. Sara Shemer noted the under-representation of men aged 18-30. Asked "How do you think the operation in Lebanon will affect the prospects of peace with Jordan?",

the replies were: enhance-30.1 per cent, diminish-9.2 p.c., no change-57.3 p.c., undecided-3.4 p.c. Another question was asked to ascertain the public's attitude towards making territorial concessions in Judea and Samaria in return for peace with Jordan. The results were compared to a similar poll held before the war in May.

	June	May
No concessions	53.1	58.3
Concessions in certain areas	35.9	29.3
All of Judea and Samaria, except for East Jerusalem	7.4	7.3
All of Judea and Samaria, including East Jerusalem	2.0	1.9
Undecided	2.6	3.2

Shemer made special note of the decrease in the percentage of intransigents on the matter of territorial concessions and the increase of those willing to make at least some concessions, (Sharing the burden — page 8)

IDF doctor convicted of recruit's death

HAIFA (Itim). — An Israel Defence Forces doctor was convicted yesterday of causing the death of a young recruit through a wrong diagnosis and negligent medical treatment and was given a six-month suspended sentence and fined IS20,000 by the Northern Command's military court.

The soldier, Turai Eliahu Pinko, collapsed during a training march with full equipment in August 1981, just 10 days after he was mobilized. Pinko was taken unconscious to the base clinic and stayed there for three hours under the doctor's supervision before being transferred to hospital. The soldier never regained consciousness and died shortly after reaching the hospital. In its judgement, the three-member court said that the doctor, young and relatively inexperienced, who had not even had time to complete the IDF medical officers' course, should not have been left as the only doctor on duty in the clinic of a large training base. The court ordered that copies of the decision be passed on to the head of the IDF manpower branch and the IDF chief medical officer to prevent such occurrences in the future. The court determined beyond any shadow of doubt that Pinko died of heat prostration, a finding borne out by pathological examinations. The doctor's original diagnosis of hysteria was incorrect and prevented the immediate application of correct treatment for heat prostration, which would have almost certainly saved the soldier's life. Moreover, the court said, loss of consciousness in any case reason enough to send the victim to

hospital immediately. In reaching his diagnosis of hysteria, the doctor neglected to conduct the most fundamental physiological tests, including measuring body temperature and blood pressure, which would have indicated that the patient was suffering from heat prostration, the court said. The court said that it did not feel it necessary to impose a heavier punishment in order to deter other doctors, since this was a very rare case. "The accused is well aware that his negligence caused the death of a young soldier... and his own conscience will pain him for the rest of his life," the court said.

Knesset marks 'Year of the Elderly'

Post Knesset Reporter
The Knesset yesterday marked the observance of the "Year of the Elderly" with Ben Zion Rubin, deputy minister of labour and social affairs, pointing out that 30 per cent of elderly couples have no income other than their National Insurance pension.

By 1990, Rubin said, 40 per cent of the Jewish elderly in Israel will be over 75, as compared to 31 per cent today. Seated in the Knesset VIP gallery were Mrs. Shulamit Shamir, honorary chairman, and Prof. Shimon Bergman, chairman of the public committee arranging this year's events to honour the elderly. Alignment MK Aharon Harel launched the tribute by pointing out that the achievements of medicine in lengthening man's life span are of limited value if we do not invest these additional years with happiness and tranquillity.

Aloni queries arms sales to Guatemala

Shulamit Aloni (Alignment-CRM) wants to know how many military advisers Israel has in Guatemala and how much money Israel expects to earn from selling arms to Guatemala. In a parliamentary question to Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Aloni noted that Israel is Guatemala's chief arms supplier now that the U.S. has stopped selling to that country. Aloni asked what criteria govern Israeli arms sales to dictatorships such as Guatemala and Argentina.

Sanctions planned by TA lifeguards averted

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A regional labour court yesterday issued an order obliging the city's lifeguards to work as usual. The lifeguards threatened last Friday to work to rule from today — from 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., six days a week instead of seven days a week till 5 p.m. — if the city did not improve their work conditions. At City Hall's request, the court ruled that they should work as usual until August 15, when their demands are to be heard by the court.

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A 600-metre section of the old Tel Aviv promenade is near completion, at a cost of IS7.25 million, as part of the planned 13-kilometre promenade the city intends to build. The new, decorative section stretches from the Sheraton Hotel in the north to the Concord Hotel in the south.

Budget problem holds up Tehiya's entry into coalition

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

The budget that would be at the disposal of Prof. Yuval Ne'eman if he becomes a cabinet minister, and the budget for Jewish settlement in Judea and Samaria, appear to be two big obstacles still holding up agreement over the entry of the Tehiya faction into the coalition. Prime Minister Menachem Begin, Finance Minister Yoram Aridor, Justice Minister Moshe Nissim, and Deputy Agriculture Minister Michael Dekel met last night with Tehiya leaders for what proved to be an inconclusive discussion in which sparks flew between Aridor and Gula Cohen. If Tehiya joins the coalition, Ne'eman would be minister of science, development and technology. However, the spheres of responsibility he would acquire have not yet been defined.

Tehiya leaders said yesterday that the coalition must agree to allocate budgets for 6,000 housing units annually in Judea and Samaria. Dekel said that if all the ministries except defence waived 2 per cent of their budgets for settlement, the Treasury would have IS3 billion at its disposal, which would partly meet Tehiya's demands. When Cohen asked Aridor if he accepted this proposal, Aridor said she and her colleagues should lobby all the ministers and get them to agree to waive the 2 per cent. She replied angrily that it was his task to raise the funds, not hers. An additional obstacle, a political one to Tehiya's entry into the cabinet is the declaration by six Likud Liberals that their support for that entry is conditional on Minister without Portfolio Yitzhak Moda'i being made information minister. story page three.)

Date of municipal elections up in air

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

The date of the next municipal elections remains a bone of contention between the Likud and the National Religious Party, despite last night's effort in the coalition executive to reach a compromise. The elections are scheduled for November. Last night, the Likud faction executive ruled that if the November 1982 date proved impracticable because of the crisis in Lebanon, the maximum postponement it would accept would be till May or June 1983. But Interior Minister Yosef Burg and his NRP colleagues said at the coalition executive that the best date would be November 1984. (The NRP, which has still not recovered from the damage done by

the Tami breakaway and the inroads of Tehiya, wishes to put the municipal elections off as long as possible, along with the Knesset elections.)

The coalition executive yesterday charged chairman Avraham Shapira of the Aguda to meet Alignment leader Shimon Peres this morning to see if some walk-to-wall agreement is possible on the date. But Peres may have to consult with Alignment forums before giving a final answer. After Prime Minister Menachem Begin, speaking at the coalition executive (before the Likud executive met), said that May or June 1983 would be a good date, both Deputy Premier Simha Ehrlich and his Liberal colleague Moshe Nissim said their party was still committed to November 1982.

Women soldiers assigned to Lebanon

The stationing of women soldiers in Lebanon will make possible the release of many reserve soldiers who are now doing clerical work, drafting and communications, a senior Israel Defence Forces officer in Lebanon said yesterday. One skilled woman soldier is equivalent to four reservists, he said. Women soldiers will not be sent to command posts that are still under field conditions and they will serve only in command posts that are already housed in stone

buildings with shower facilities nearby, he said. The women soldiers will not be permitted to take excursions in Lebanon, nor will they be permitted to go swimming in spite of the exceptionally hot weather. The women soldiers must be accompanied by at least two male soldiers whenever they leave the command posts, the officer said. The women will not be issued personal weapons. Some 20 women soldiers are now serving in various locations in Lebanon, (Itim)

Attorney-general asked to rule on draft evader

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The case of a girl who was exempted from army service even though she had not signed the form requesting exemption on religious grounds was ordered by the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court to be referred to the attorney-general for a decision on future measures.

The girl was charged in court with lying to the exemptions committee on her religious status. It was then discovered that she had been granted the exemption, even though she had never signed the official exemption form.

ENCYCLOPEDIA. — A reception was held in Jerusalem yesterday to mark the completion of the eighth and final volume of the *Encyclopedia Mikra'it* (Biblical Encyclopedia), published by Mossad Bialik.

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12 injured, vast damage by ammo dump explosion

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — At least 125 buildings were damaged and hundreds of dunams of pasture land were burned as a result of Sunday's massive explosion inside an Israel Defence Forces ammunition dump near the Golan Junction in Lower Galilee. A dozen persons were injured lightly as shells fell over a wide area in nearly four hours of explosions. The hardest hit area was Kfar Zeitim. Forty-three houses in the village were damaged and the synagogue sustained a direct hit. Five

hundred dunams of olive trees close to the village were burned up in a huge fire. At Kibbutz Lavi, 5,000 chickens perished in fires and 200 tons of straw went up in flames. Defence Ministry assessors are touring the area to estimate the damage and determine compensation. Hundreds of policemen and soldiers fanned out over Lower Galilee to search for unexploded shells. Thousands have been found so far, and residents were warned not to touch any suspicious-looking object.

REAGAN DELAYS

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move its forces into the city. They have strongly urged Israel against any such action. Privately, U.S. officials said the administration was actually reviewing several issues: (1) The stalemate in West Beirut and how to resolve it. (2) A proper U.S. policy toward the Iran-Iraq war. (3) Whether Israel violated its commitments to the U.S. by using cluster bombs in Lebanon. (4) Whether other U.S.-supplied weapons to Israel were used illegally. American arms are supposed to be used only for defensive purposes. So far, the U.S. has said only that a violation "may have occurred."

food situation in that part of the Lebanese capital as "grim."

Fischer said the U.S. has discussed the plight of the West Beirut residents with Israel on several occasions. "They understand our position," he said. Asked about Israeli press reports that the Israeli government was losing patience with the Habib mission, Fischer said the U.S. has "certainly stressed repeatedly" that the negotiations were a "matter of great urgency," and that a solution was needed "as speedily as possible."

Reagan yesterday announced the appointment of Kenneth Dam to succeed retiring Deputy Secretary of State Walter Stoessel. Dam, provost of the University of Chicago, is a long-time friend and associate of Shultz.

At the same time, Fischer announced he will leave the State department as soon as Shultz names a new spokesman.

Regarding the cluster bombs, the administration in recent days had indicated that it would delay shipment to Israel of the additional 4,000 units slated for delivery yesterday.

Israeli officials here sought to belittle its military impact on Israel. In delaying delivery of the weapon, the administration was responding to extensive pressure from Capitol Hill and the U.S. news media. The cluster bomb issue — it first became controversial in the U.S. during the Vietnam war — has become the focus of considerable attention since the fighting in Lebanon erupted some six weeks ago.

One of Israel's sharpest critics, Democratic Senator Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts, is scheduled to visit Israel and Lebanon later this week. Tsongas, a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, has condemned the Israeli operation as immoral and illegal.

U.S. poll: Wrong to kill so many Lebanese

WASHINGTON (JTA). — While the majority of American public opinion supports Israel's invasion of Lebanon as a defensive action, Israel has not been spared criticism as many of those surveyed in the latest Harris Poll expressed concern over high civilian casualties in Lebanon.

According to the poll, Americans by a majority of 57-28 per cent agreed with Israel's claim that it was "right to take defence action by moving into Lebanon, since PLO bases there were regularly shelling Israel."

But the poll indicated by a 52-35 per cent majority that "Israel was wrong to go to war and kill thousands of Lebanese civilians." This majority has increased since the last poll in June, when a 49-42 per cent plurality thought Israel was wrong to kill so many civilians.

Twins, 16, arrested in Zahala burglary case

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A pair of 16-year-old identical twins was arrested yesterday on suspicion of burglary, after neighbours reported to police that a villa in Rehov Shamgar in Zahala had been broken into.

Police who answered the call arrested one of the boys, and then were amazed to see his "double" moving around the villa. Nothing was stolen from the house, and the boys were turned over to the juvenile authorities.

HEBREW U. — Professor Amiram Gonen has been appointed dean of students at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He will assume his duties on October 1, succeeding Prof. Lina Ben-Dor.

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IS20b. compulsory loan to finance Lebanon war

Post Economic Reporter
A \$20 billion compulsory loan is the solution agreed upon so far in the tripartite negotiations for a package deal between the government, the private employers, and the Histadrut.

Of that amount, \$8.5b. will be collected from wage earners. This is equivalent to about 3 per cent of wages at July prices.

Another \$8.5b. will be collected from employers, whose contributions will be linked to their wage bill. The remaining \$3b. will be a turnover tax paid by businesses that do not employ hired workers.

The loan, for 12 years, will be linked to the currency basket of Israeli exports, and will carry a low rate of interest — of about 3 per cent.

After five hours of tough bargaining yesterday, during which it became clear that none of the other measures proposed in the subcommittee on the so-called package deal were likely to be adopted, this manner of financing Operation Peace for Galilee was the minimum solution on which agreement could be obtained.

Nevertheless, many details are still to be ironed out, and the three parties to the negotiations are to meet again this morning to work out their final positions.

The Histadrut, for example, is concerned over how the compulsory loan will be collected from wage earners — progressively, or as a uniform rate. The business sector, on the other hand, will have to for-

mulate the manner in which the total of \$20b. will be distributed between their different sectors, in the form of what is essentially a tax on wages paid and a turnover tax.

The Treasury continues to threaten that unless agreement is reached, it will impose unilateral measures, which may make the burden heavier than one resulting from agreement.

Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel said that the labour federation desires agreement. It would, however, see to it that the burden was not imposed progressively, on wage earners alone, and that all would share it equitably.

Eliyahu Hurvitz, president of the Manufacturers Association, said that the ideas put forward in the negotiations were good, and that the employers would bear their share of financing the war in Lebanon.

Another part of the package deal is a cut in government expenditure, by about \$5b. A considerable part of this will come from a reduction of the subsidies to basic goods and services.

Meshel took the position that the Histadrut was not consulted on the earlier high levels of subsidies and that the government had the right to act as it saw fit in this matter, while the Histadrut had the right to criticize it. Finance Minister Yoram Aridor said that the cuts in subsidies would be part of the agreement.

A final round of talks is scheduled to take place this afternoon.



During a special tour of the Knesset for civilian inmates of Ramle Prison, one of them, Amos Bu'aron (right), ran into his former teacher, Deputy Labour and Social Affairs Minister Ben-Zion Rubin.

(Rahamim Israeli)

Senator says PLO must leave Lebanon

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Menachem Begin has sent a message to President Ronald Reagan expressing his anxiety about the continuing presence of PLO terrorists in Beirut.

That was the "spirit" of the message Begin gave to Senator Alfonse D'Amato (Republican, NY), who is winding up a visit to Lebanon and Israel. At a press conference in the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem yesterday, D'Amato declined to reveal more details about the message, but he said that the PLO must leave Lebanon.

He said that he had no doubt that

Israel would use the military option to remove the PLO if all other options failed. He was not optimistic about the situation, but he felt that Reagan's meeting with Arab foreign ministers in the White House today could bring about some political movement.

Asked how the U.S. would react if Israel moved into West Beirut, D'Amato said that "everyone would be distressed, but we're not in a position either to condemn or support."

He said that there was worry in the U.S. about stories that Israel used American-made cluster bombs in Lebanon.

TV documentary on PLO in Lebanon to be aired

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

In a 40-minute documentary in Arabic with Hebrew subtitles made by Israel TV, to be screened on Friday at 7 p.m., PLO men and Lebanese civilians tell how PLO terrorists devastated Lebanon since 1975.

But Sergio Michael, the film's producer, said yesterday that the programme is more talk and testimony than visual depiction of PLO atrocities. It was nearly impossible to obtain such film, he said, and difficult to get frightened civilians to talk about it.

In addition, the film called *The PLO in Lebanon*, was toned down so that it would not be "too much for Palestinians to swallow," added Yosef Barot, director of the Arabic-language TV.

The documentary was the result of two weeks of filming by cameraman Arye Schlesinger, and of interviewing by Meir Shemtov and Salman Tawil. Film editor was Hanna Finkelstein.

Michael said he purposely refrained from using any interpretation or commentary by announcers.

so that the facts would stand by themselves and be believable.

"The story is of Lebanon versus the PLO," said Michael. The only mention of Israelis is when the murder of an Israeli soldier in a hospital is reported; and when a Lebanese woman whose relatives were massacred by the PLO asserts: "You Israelis were sent by God!"

An old woman lists close relatives who were murdered by the PLO for seemingly no reason. Attractive young daughters of a Lebanese doctor describe the rape and murder of a girlfriend by the PLO. PLO members tell how they were forced to take part in terrorist actions, including the bombing of a place frequented by Jews in Beirut.

The film ends with a PLO "judge" saying that PLO chief Yasser Arafat was "tricked" by Arab countries who promised much but did nothing to help. "It would have been better to trust [late Egyptian President] Anwar Sadat," he concluded. "He made no promises, so he could not break them."

The Lebanese, said the PLO man, "are a good people. They deserve to live in peace."

2 girl soldiers held in beating of Birzeit lecturer

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two girl soldiers serving in the Ramallah military government headquarters were detained yesterday on suspicion of having beaten Anne Scott, a British research assistant at Birzeit University.

The detention follows an investigation by a senior Military Police officer.

The Israel Defence Forces

spokesman said yesterday that the soldiers' detention was extended until their trial.

Scott said that she was detained on July 11 on the grounds that her visa had expired. She alleges that the two women took her to a soldiers' dormitory, where they beat her with a truncheon on the upper arms, shoulders and legs.

Arkia to dismiss 29 'redundant' pilots

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Arkia has decided to dismiss 29 of its 62 pilots, but the staff committee has pledged to fight the move.

Airline president Arik Achmon said yesterday that the pilots became redundant with the introduction of three Dash-7 planes, each capable of carrying 50 passengers. The Dash-7 covers operational expenses if it flies only "about 19 passengers," Achmon said.

Most of the company's seven 19-seater Metro's were sold, he said.

because they were redundant. He added that a ten per cent drop in traffic is expected.

Shop committee chairman Gershon Gefen said that "Management bought planes for speculation and is now making the pilots pay for its mistakes."

NEW KIBBUTZ. — Nahal settlement Malkishua in the Mt. Gilboa highlands became a civilian kibbutz yesterday, the sixth in the Beit She'an area and the 16th in the Orthodox Hakibbutz Hadati movement.

Baram raps police over ultra-Orthodox

Post Knesset Correspondent

Uzi Baram (Alignment-Labour), yesterday charged that the Jerusalem police are a failing to control violence by members of the ultra-Orthodox community.

Baram submitted a motion for the agenda following reports yesterday of an attack on a woman driver who stopped her car at a traffic light in an Orthodox quarter, and allegedly got a bottle of acid thrown in her face by a local resident because of her décollete.

Baram listed other violence by ultra-Orthodox along the highway to Ramot; along Rehov Bar-Ilan, the principal artery linking the western and northern parts of Jerusalem; against property, and against individuals.

The police have not filed charges against any suspects, Baram charged.

Postal clerk held for burying letters

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A postal clerk was charged yesterday with allegedly pocketing money for postage for letters he was supposed to mail, but which he buried instead.

The man, Avraham Heyman, 28, operated a postal agency at 46 Rehov Sokolow in Holon. He was accused in the district court of burying in March 1981 2,450 unstamped letters that he received for mailing from a local Bank Leumi branch.

He allegedly stole \$1,700 that the bank paid for postage.

Kiryat Ata municipal employees call strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — More than 700 Kiryat Ata municipal employees are going on strike this morning in protest over not receiving last month's wages. The strike will affect all services.

Mayor Natan Shpritzer said the wages had not been paid because he had not received the money from the Interior Ministry.

Boy, 7½, killed by hit-and-run tender

AFULA (Itim). — A 7½-year-old boy was run over and killed yesterday morning by a hit-and-run tender in Kafr Tur'an in Lower Galilee. Police are searching for the vehicle and its driver.

'Moda'i for Information' pressure

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Five Liberal MKs — Pinchas Goldstein, David Schiffman, Benny Shalita, Dan Tichon and Dror Zeigerman — yesterday threatened to torpedo Tehiya's entry into the coalition if Minister without Portfolio Yitzhak Moda'i is not immediately appointed information minister.

If their demand is not met, they warned, they will not vote for Tehiya's entry into the coalition and for Knesset Member Yuval Ne'eman's appointment to the cabinet.

The five are due to meet with Prime Minister Menachem Begin this morning.

Moda'i has been pressing for the creation of an information portfolio for nearly a year. The five MKs pleading his case were elected to the Liberal slate of Knesset candidates in 1981 on Moda'i's coalition.

Apart from Zeigerman, the others are hawkish and considered as basically loyal to the coalition. Zeigerman has already expressed opposition to Tehiya's joining the coalition.

However, Likud sources say the greatest bonus to the coalition from a Tehiya entry would be a broader and more stable parliamentary base, one that would free the government from dependence on any single MK.

Purified waste water to flow to Negev fields

One-hundred million cubic metres of purified waste water from the Holon-Rishon Lezion area will be flowing southward to irrigate fields in 67 Negev settlements by 1985, Prof. Alexander Donagi, head of the Health Ministry's Research Institute for Environmental Health, told the press yesterday.

This volume of water is equivalent to about 6 per cent of the country's annual water supply, he said. (Itim)

Visitors to museum invited to touch

Contrary to the usual prohibition of "please do not touch" the exhibition opening today at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem is entitled *Touch*, composed mainly of objects to be experienced by touching them.

The exhibition is in the Weinstein and Bennington Galleries of the Youth Wing and was made possible by Mrs. Selma Pilavin Robinson of Rhode Island.

Military hardware discovered in Jaffa

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A cache of military equipment — including an RPG rocket launcher and 18 artillery shells — was discovered by the police yesterday in a Jaffa apartment after they had been tipped off.

The owner of the apartment said that his son had brought the equipment home during his reserve service. The matter was brought to the attention of the military authorities, who are investigating.

150 UJA leaders on fact-finding mission

At the invitation of Prime Minister Menachem Begin, 150 major Jewish leaders from across the U.S. arrived in Israel yesterday on an intensive three-day United Jewish Appeal fact-finding mission.

Mission members drove straight from Ben-Gurion Airport to the Haim Sheba Rehabilitation Centre at Tel Hashomer, where they met with soldiers wounded in the fighting in Lebanon.

The mission will meet with Begin, Defence Minister Ariel Sharon and Finance Minister Yoram Aridor.

Investigation of thefts leads to fence ring

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A police investigation into thefts allegedly made by a cleaning woman from her North Tel Aviv employers was reported branching out yesterday to include a ring of dealers in stolen merchandise. The investigation is being carried out by the Givatayim and Hayarkon division police.

The police were led to the woman, Varda Hermoni of Givatayim, by her husband, who was originally her partner but later turned against her after they quarrelled. She is being held in the police lockup under a 10-day remand order.

The items she stole are on display at the Givatayim police station.

'Turkish Connection' men get prison terms

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Three members of the "Turkish Connection" drug-smuggling gang were convicted yesterday of conspiring to smuggle heroin from Turkey to Israel and sentenced to various prison terms.

The Tel Aviv District Court sentenced Shaul Avisa, 26, of Bat Yan, to three years and gave him a one-year suspended sentence. His brother, Yossi, 20, was given 21 months in jail and nine months suspended. Amram Dahan, 34, of Tel Aviv, was given 2½ years in jail and a one year suspended sentence, now added to the 18-month suspended sentence got on a previous drug-smuggling conviction.

Policeman fined \$6,000

HAIFA (Itim). — A policeman, Duktan Abdel Latif, of Kafr Yasif, was fined \$6,000 in the Haifa Magistrates Court yesterday for his involvement in a road accident while driving a police jeep. On the way up Mt. Carmel, the vehicle overturned and crashed into two cars parked on the sidewalk last December. The policeman and four passengers in his jeep suffered mild injuries.

Judge Ram Savir ruled that the accident was the result of a human error. He told Latif that his licence, which he needs in order to fulfil his police duties, would be suspended for three months if he was found guilty of a traffic accident during the next two years.

Israel Lands Administration Tel Aviv and Central District
Offer for Lease of 2 half plots in Azor for Construction of 2 Residential Units on Each Half Plot
Tender No. TA/82/36

The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for lease of 2 half plots for the construction of 2 residential units with a wall common to both units on each half plot. Plot details and construction potential at the time of publication of the tender were as follows:

Block	Parcel	Plot	Approx. area (sq.m.)	Total building %	Minimum price (IS)	Deposit (IS)
8042	157	85B	574	40	949,250	45,000
8042	157	85A	560	40	926,100	45,000

Details, sample contracts and bid forms are available at our Tel Aviv district office, 88 Derech Petah Tikva, 1st floor, between 8.30 a.m. and 12 noon on regular working days. Deadline for submitting tender bids is 12 noon on September 2, 1982. Bids not found in the tenders postbox by the above time for any reason whatsoever, will not be considered. The Israel Lands Administration does not undertake to accept the highest bid or any bid whatsoever.

Offer for Lease of Plot for Construction of Commercial Centre in Kiryat Gat
Tender No. JM.82/37

The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for the long time lease for purposes of construction of ground floor shops and a supermarket and 1st floor offices. Area details and construction potential at the time of publication of the tender, were as follows:

Block	Parcel	Plot	Approx. area (sq.m.)	Total building %	Minimum price (IS)	Development costs (IS)	Deposit (IS)
1830	35-38	302	3250	70	2,272,725	1,349,000	114,000

Details, sample contracts and bid forms are available at our Jerusalem district office, 34 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, 12th floor, Tel. 224121, between 8.30 a.m. and 12 noon on regular working days. Deadline for submitting tender bids is 12 noon on September 2, 1982. Bids not found in the tenders postbox by the above time for any reason whatsoever, will not be considered. The Israel Lands Administration does not undertake to accept the highest bid or any bid whatsoever.

Offer for Lease of Plot for Construction of Commercial Centre in Ramla
Build Your Home Quarter
Tender No. TA/82/35

The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for the lease of a plot for construction of a commercial centre in Ramla. Area details and construction potential at the time of publication of the tender were as follows:

Block	Parcel	Plot	Approx. area (sq.m.)	Total building %	Minimum price (IS)	Development costs (IS)	Deposit (IS)
4354	5	101	471	400	600,670	353,250	30,000

Details, sample contracts and bid forms are available at our Tel Aviv district office, 88 Derech Petah Tikva, 1st floor, between 8.30 a.m. and 12 noon on regular working days. Deadline for submitting tender bids is 12 noon on September 2, 1982. Bids not found in the tenders postbox by the above time for any reason whatsoever, will not be considered. The Israel Lands Administration does not undertake to accept the highest bid or any bid whatsoever.

Israel Lands Administration Jerusalem District
Arin Urban Development — Co. Ltd.
Offer for Lease of 4 Plots in Mevasseret Zion for Construction of 40 Residential 2-Floor Units in Row Construction in Gimmel Quarter — Tender No. JM/82/7

The Israel Lands Administration offers 4 plots, the building details of which at the time of publication of the tender, were as follows:

Municipal building plan	Plot nos.	Approx. plot area	Approx. building area (sq.m.)	Minimum price (IS)	Development costs (IS)*	Deposit (IS)
M/320/eyin	1-4	14,155	8,269	13,613,827	16,466,000	500,000

*Linked to April 1982 building index.

Details and tender brochure are available at the Arin Co. office, 169 Rehov Yafa, Jerusalem, and at the Israel Lands Administration office in Jerusalem, 34 Rehov Ben-Yehuda (Tel. 224121), 12th floor, during regular working days and hours. Deadline for submitting tender bids is 12 noon on September 2, 1982. Bids not found in the tenders postbox by the above time for any reason whatsoever, will not be considered. The Israel Lands Administration does not undertake to accept the highest bid or any bid whatsoever.

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Somalia says Soviets 'masterminded' invasion

MOGADISHU, Somalia. — Somalia said yesterday the Soviet Union was the "mastermind" behind the unsuccessful Ethiopian invasion across the Ogaden and "would pay the price" for stirring trouble in the Horn of Africa.

Radio Mogadishu said the Soviet Union's boast Sunday that it supports anti-Somali rebels in the Ogaden conflict was proof it planned to upstage the U.S. in the region by converting the Horn of Africa into a Soviet client area.

"Their support for a handful of highlanders is in line with the Soviet grand conspiracy for global hegemony. This is evidence that the Soviet Union was the mastermind of the naked and brazen aggression against Somalia by Ethiopia," the radio said, quoting the official Somali news agency, Sonna.

On Sunday, the Somali

Defence Ministry said Ethiopian troops supported by tanks and heavy artillery launched a counter-attack across two fronts of the Ogaden Desert, but were repulsed after day-long battles.

Last Friday, the Soviet news agency Tass denied a claim by the Somali ambassador to Kenya that Warsaw Pact troops were involved in the border clashes which reportedly began in early July.

Somali Defence Minister Mohammed Ali Samantar arrived yesterday for talks with Egyptian leaders as the country battles invaders from Ethiopia.

It was unclear whether Somalia would ask for military aid to help fight off dissidents and Ethiopian forces which have been attacking across the border since early July. (UPI, AP)



In one of the worst train crashes in years in Switzerland, at least six persons were killed and more than 40 were injured early Sunday when a train from Frankfurt carrying mostly foreign workers collided with a Swiss freight train near Othmarsingen, 20 kilometres west of Zurich. (UPI telephoto)

Unbowed Iran lashes out at UN human rights body

GENEVA (UPI). — Iran yesterday turned a hearing on its human-rights record into a forum for attacks on the West and on the Arabs for failing to support the PLO in Lebanon.

A five-member Iranian delegation was supposed to answer questions put by the UN Human Rights Committee last Thursday on torture and mass executions in Iran.

But for one hour Iranian delegate Seyyed Hadi Khoshroshani, ambassador to the Vatican, attacked the committee and some individual members and also criticized Arab states, which "never raised a finger to help the Palestinians."

Hadi charged the committee questions were based "on imperialist mass media" with "no proper enquiry and reliable documentation."

The questions confirmed Iranian "suspicions of all Western phenomena even in the guise of

human rights," he said.

Committee members said they were hampered in monitoring Iran's human-rights situation because of lack of documentation and had to depend largely on press reports.

Hadi was called to order by the chairman for personally criticizing committee members, particularly Walid Sadi of Jordan and Tunisia's Nejib Bouziri for their nations' refusal to help the Palestinians in Lebanon, and Iraqi Mohammed al Douri for Iraq's initiation of the war with Iran.

AP reported that Nader Ali Akbar Nehzad, a leading member of the Iranian Tudeh Communist party, was arrested by Revolutionary Guards after he was discovered hiding in northern Iran, according to an article yesterday in the English-language *Teheran Times*.

Sports

Tour in trouble

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — Officials of South Africa's multi-racial professional Soccer League are headed for a showdown meeting with some black clubs here that could determine the fate of the rebel international team touring the country.

Football commentators said the future of multi-racial soccer in South Africa could be at stake.

George Thabe, the black president of the South African Football Council, said he was confident that a solution would be found to end the dispute in which three black clubs withdrew from games against the visitors.

"Whatever happens, the tour will go on and all six matches will be played," he told a reporter.

The visitors scored a lacklustre 1-0 victory on Sunday over a substitute black team flown up from Durban after the Orlando Pirates pulled out. Fans stayed away and the Pirates' stadium in Soweto, Johannesburg's black satellite township, was virtually empty.

Thabe called a meeting yesterday with Soweto clubs Moroka Swallows and Kaizer Chiefs to try to persuade the teams to play scheduled games against the tourists on July 28 and July 30.

"I have high hopes that the Council will be able to persuade Chiefs and Swallows to fulfil their fixtures," Thabe said.

Botham battery

MANCHESTER (AP). — England won the second Prudential Trophy one-day international against Pakistan yesterday, due to some masterful batting by Mike Gatting (76), and a ferocious onslaught on the bowling by Ian Botham. His 49, made off 27 balls, included four sixes. England reached 295 for eight in their allotted 55 overs. Derek Pringles made 34 not out, David Gower 33, Allan Lamb 27.

Pakistan had collected 222 for nine off 50 overs (Wasim Raja 60), and clearly had no hope of saving the match. This was England's second win out of two in the three-match series.

Women's Golf

INDIANAPOLIS (AP). — Sally Little shot a final round 4-under-par 68 on Sunday to defeat a hard-charging Beth Daniel by four strokes in winning the \$200,000 Ladies Professional Golf Association Mayflower Classic.

Vilas vs Purcell

BROOKLINE, Mass. (UPI). — Top-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina used "precision" passing shots to rout fourth-seeded Yannick Noah of France 6-3, 6-2 Sunday to move into the finals of the \$200,000 U.S. Pro Tennis Championships at Longwood Cricket Club.

Vilas, who has never won the tourney, will play seventh-seeded Mel Purcell, who beat Spain's Fernando Luna 6-1, 4-6, 6-3, in temperatures that reached 47 degrees centigrade on the court early in the afternoon.

Mats gets another

Mats Wilander won the Swedish Open Tennis Championships in Stockholm yesterday, by defeating his fellow-countryman Henrik Sundbom 6-4, 6-4 in the final.

BASEBALL: SUNDAY

American League
Toronto 5, Texas 4, 10th.
New York 7, Oakland 3.
Kansas 9, Boston 6.
Baltimore 4, Seattle 3.
Cleveland 5, California 4.
Minnesota 6, Detroit 1.
Milwaukee 9, Chicago 3.

Eastern Division
St. Louis 6, Cincinnati 5.
Atlanta 4, Chicago 2.
Houston 4, Pittsburgh 2.
New York, N.Y., Los Angeles 3.
Montreal 9, San Diego 2.
San Francisco 4, Philadelphia 3.

Stars stage benefit for Falklands fighters

LONDON (AP). — More than 100 British stars joined in a gala patriotic salute on Sunday night to the thousands of servicemen who helped recapture the Falkland Islands — and raised more than £500,000 for the families of those who died in the fighting.

Bank of Israel TENDER

The Bank of Israel invites bids for acquisition of rights to protected rentals in return for keymoney payment on the built up property on parcel 120, block 30055, 29 Rehov Yafa, Jerusalem, and known as the Mitzpa Building.

Property description
Stone construction including basement, ground floor and 3 additional floors (top floor owned by Bank of Israel).

The northern wing of the ground floor and basement originally served as commercial bank space, and is spread across a gross area of approximately 1410 sq.m.

The ground floor contains 7 shops and storerooms on a total, gross area of approximately 460 sq.m.

Entrance and intermediate floors and the two upper floors are on a total, gross area of approximately 2,800 sq.m.

Transferral of rental rights is subject to the building owner's agreement or the permission of the Rentals Court.

Bids should be submitted to Adv. Uziel Atzmon and/or Urit Son, 97 Rehov Yafa, Clal Centre Building 1201, no later than 12 noon, August 15, 1982.

Details are obtainable from Mr. M. Kamer, Deputy General Secretary of the Bank, Tel. 02-552925 during bank working hours.

The Bank of Israel does not undertake to accept the highest bid or any bid whatsoever.

Argentina to get U.S. nuclear gear

WASHINGTON (AP). — In a reversal of the nuclear policy of the administration of former president Jimmy Carter, the government of President Ronald Reagan has authorized the export of technology crucial to Argentina's aim of nuclear independence.

Reporting this yesterday, *The Washington Post* said that the move was approved in secret by Energy Secretary James Edwards last year after an inter-departmental review. *The Post* also said that the action seriously undercut a long-time U.S. effort to pressure Argentina to put its entire nuclear programme under international safeguards.

The newspaper said that Edwards approved for export by the Foxboro Co. of Foxboro, Massachusetts, a computerized control system that

will become the "brains" of a large heavy-water plant — classified as "sensitive" technology because it is the critical element in one route to production of materials that could be used in nuclear bombs.

The Post said that the decision would seem to suggest a willingness by the Reagan administration to exploit loopholes in the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Act.

The 1978 act bans U.S. cooperation with any country that has not placed all its nuclear activities under the International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards. But the administration was able to authorize the export to Argentina because the control system was ostensibly sold to a Swiss firm that has the overall contract for the Argentine plant, the newspaper said.

Whale killing opponents win their first victory

LONDON (UPI). — The U.S. and its conservationist allies yesterday won a significant first victory in their 10-year struggle in the 38-nation International Whaling Commission for a world-wide ban on commercial killing of whales.

The commission's technical committee voted 19-6, with nine abstentions, to recommend imposition of the ban. Four other delegations were absent.

This issue still has to be debated and voted in the full commission later this week — probably tomorrow or Thursday.

The countries that voted against the ban were Japan, the Soviet Union, North Korea, Norway, Peru and Spain — all of which carry on commercial whaling.

The nine that abstained were Argentina, Brazil, Chile, the German Federal Republic, Iceland, Mexico, China, South Africa and Uruguay.

Iceland's abstention was a surprise. In the past, it always had voted against a ban.

British health workers open strike

LONDON (Reuters). — One million workers ignored last-minute government appeals and began a three-day strike yesterday that could reduce Britain's public health service to providing only emergency facilities.

The government, which has refused to yield to the health workers' demand for a 12 per cent pay rise, has put troops and police on alert in case ambulance services break down.

Members of the 12 health unions will be taking selective action at most of the country's 2,300 hospitals, and one union official said that two thirds of them would

be reduced to accident and emergency cover only.

The strike began as train drivers went back to work after a two-week stoppage which virtually paralysed the country's state-owned rail network.

Ten kindergarteners killed in India

NEW DELHI (AP). — Ten kindergarteners children were killed and 30 others seriously injured yesterday when the awnings of a school building collapsed and fell on them at a small village outside Trichur in southern Kerala state, the United News of India reported.

Fagan claims he's Rudolf Hess' son

Palace intruder charged with stealing wine

LONDON (AP). — Claiming that he is the son of Nazi war criminal Rudolf Hess, Buckingham Palace intruder Michael Fagan was charged yesterday with stealing a £3 half-bottle of wine from the palace in June. But the prosecution announced he would not be charged with entering the queen's bedroom a month later.

Amid rowdy courtroom scenes, Fagan, a 30-year-old drifter, was charged with the June break-in, assaulting his stepson, and stealing a car.

State prosecutor Stephen Wooler said that, although it was "well-known" that Fagan entered Queen Elizabeth II's bedroom on July 9, there was insufficient evidence to "render his trespass a criminal offence."

Wooler told Bow Street Magistrates' Court that the earlier palace break-in in which Fagan stole the wine "was one of a series of irrational acts on his part connected with a deterioration in his matrimonial situation."

Fagan, wearing only socks on his feet, told the court he wanted "nothing to do with" his court-appointed lawyer, Maurice Nadeem, who referred to him as "an unbalanced young man."

Addressing Magistrate Ronald Bartle, Nadeem said: "Let us remember what this case is about. It does not relate to the later incident when my client was in the queen's bedroom."

From the dock, Fagan shouted: "I told you not to mention anything about the queen's bedroom. I don't want her name brought into it. I would rather plead guilty than have her name mentioned in court."

Told to stand in the dock to be formally charged and committed for trial, Fagan said: "I have never had a solicitor, so how can I? I want nothing to do with this man (Nadeem). He is a load of rubbish. I don't wish this man to represent me."

After Bartle refused bail, Fagan's father said from the gallery: "Could

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Tender loving care

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"HERE you've got mothers instead of sergeants," is how one soldier convalescing at Beit Heuss described its special atmosphere. Normally a Wizo vacation home for women (mostly mothers of large families) Beit Heuss in Herzliya Pituah was offered to the army for wounded soldiers.

"They sent us the so-called slightly wounded, though any wound is serious when it's you who's hurt," says Frieda Raphael, the member of the World Wizo Board responsible for Beit Heuss. "We drive them to Tel Hashomer for medical treatment and therapy; what we try to give them here is tender loving care, that little extra attention."

David, recuperating from a broken disc in his spinal column, said he had preferred Beit Heuss to an army convalescent home, because the atmosphere at the Wizo facility was more relaxed. "In an army home, there has to be regimentation — sergeants, like I said. Here, the food is like home, not production-line, and we can do pretty much what we want."

The physiotherapy David needs is swimming and since the Sharon Hotel offered the soldiers at Beit Heuss free use of the pool, a Wizo volunteer drives David, and others to the hotel every morning for swimming. Those who need to go to the hospital are driven there and back by volunteers. "If something hurts and you want to go to the hospital to check it out, all you have to do is tell Nelly (director of Beit Heuss) and she'll arrange it," David said.

Yisrael and Tai, one with a wounded hand and the other with a wounded leg, interrupted a game of ping-pong to say how pleased they were with the treatment at Beit

Heuss. "Yisrael came here to get away from his wife and two kids," one of the others teased. "It's very quiet and relaxing here," Yisrael commented. "For the first time in eight years, I actually go to sleep in the afternoons."

"I don't want to leave here," Gadi put in. "At least, not unless I can go back to my unit."

THE DESIRE to go back to their units at the front was expressed by all the men. All spoke of having a conscience problem when they think about their units fighting while they "have a wild time in a five-star hotel," as Yisrael put it.

A volunteer called to ask whether she was needed to drive men to the hospital the following morning. Director Nelly Jonas went around asking who needed to go for treatment. Meanwhile, two men decided they wanted to watch a movie, and asked Frieda Raphael where the video tape machine was and how to operate it.

A nurse who volunteers at Beit Heuss after her work day at a hospital came in carrying a box of cookies. She comes to change dressings, and to provide whatever other skilled nursing care is required, but she, like everyone involved in the project at Beit Heuss, also provides warmth and personal interest, of which the homemade cookies were only a small symbol.

"I've gained weight here," someone called out in a mock complaint. "They're always bringing cakes. The other night, they had a wine and cheese evening, which was great."

In addition to video and TV, the men can go to the cinema at the Acadia Hotel (they are admitted free, and transportation is provided, again, by Wizo volunteers). One night, an accordionist came, another a magician. Children from the nearby Nof Yam elementary school performed their end of the year school play a second time for the men at Beit Heuss.

THE DECISION as to who comes to Beit Heuss and for how long is made by the army. At the moment, there are 17 soldiers there, with four more expected, and the facility can take up to 27 at one time.

The cost is borne completely by Wizo. Mrs. Raphael said she doesn't yet know what the total cost will be, though she expects it to be "no small amount." She's not worried about it, however. Wizo receives donations for special projects like these.

"I don't have any sons here, but all these boys are our sons. After what they've done, what we're doing is a very small contribution. They're so nice and so appreciative, that it makes you want to keep finding more ways to make their stay here more pleasant. The greatest satisfaction of all is to see the difference between the way they looked when they got here and how they look today; you can see them getting well in front of your eyes."

Nelly Jonas, who was continually bustling from one task to the next, stopped long enough to apologize for not having sat down and joined the conversation. "Anyone who wants anything wants me to be the one to help them," she said. "It's a good feeling, but it keeps me running."

A BEAUTIFUL, trouble-free garden need not be an impossible dream. All it takes is a little understanding of your plants and the problems likely to beset them.

Walk through your garden and have a close look at all your plants. Some of the annuals have begun to fade and should be removed. Afterwards their beds must be dug adding some compost or bone-meal. Then you will be ready to consider the question of what to plant.

Perennials perhaps need more water, while some should be cut back a little, and some high-growing plants should be staked. Weeds being watered along with plants are growing faster and should be eliminated with their roots. Garden paths, too, need cleaning and weeding.

Some plants should be encouraged to more vigorous bloom by more intensive feedings. Plants in containers should be moved in or out of the "limelight" according to their colour performance.

Chrysanthemums. Feed and disbud mums and dahlias to obtain show-quality blooms. Chrysanthemums will produce more flower-bearing branches if you pinch the tip of the plant to force side growth. The new branches may also be pinched when they produce three pairs of leaves.

A regular programme of pinching will produce a bushier plant. Stop pinching at the end of July to give mums a chance to produce flower buds.

When budding dahlias, remove the side buds along each branch and allow only the "terminal bud" at the end of the stem to develop. The sooner you cut off the side buds, the better. To hasten flowering, remove any new branches that develop in the leaf axils of disbudded branches.

Containers. Frequent watering can result in a considerable loss of soil mixture from containers. Prepare a growing medium of equal parts of red soil, compost and sand

Busy work

GARDENER'S CORNER / Walter Frankel

or vermiculite and refill containers up to 2 cm. below their rims to restore washed out soil.

There are many advantages to raising flowering plants in containers, whether you use pots, tubs, window-boxes, planters or whatever. The portability of containers means you can change the look of your garden quickly and easily. Bring flowers indoors or put them on a porch or patio for display. There are two superb bulb flowers that can be potted just now. *Amaryllis belladonna* and *Nerine flexuosa*. Add some bone-meal or guano to the growing medium, as well as a handful of peat moss. Don't water until growth begins!

These autumn-blooming bulbs are available now at nurseries and garden centres. Once in your garden, they will last for years and multiply naturally by producing bulbils, as well as seeds.

Take geranium cuttings during July to produce flowers in late autumn and winter. You will find that friends and neighbours can provide a variety of geraniums so you will be able to pick the colour you want or try a bi-coloured variety, the so-called French or Martha Washington species, but these will not produce flowers earlier than next May or June.

Worthwhile for decoration are scented geraniums (*Pelargonium crispum*). The leaves of all geraniums have a distinctive smell, but lemon-scented *Pelargonium crispum* is particularly pleasant. Cut the shoots with about 6 leaves just below a node (make a diagonal cut), remove the two lower pairs of leaves to get a stem for planting and insert into any garden soil, mixed

with about 10 per cent of sand, perlite or vermiculite.

Put your newly potted cuttings where they will have light — but not direct sun. Don't overwater, just keep the medium slightly moist.

When the cuttings are well-established, indicated by new leaves, remove any premature flower buds in early autumn to strengthen the plants for winter blooming. Feed occasionally with organic plant food.

Poinsettia is another idea for winter colour. This plant, *Euphorbia pulcherrima*, has a long history in Israel, is sensitive to cold and should be heavily mulched in winter. There are many poinsettia shrubs growing in the Tel Aviv area, sometimes reaching a height of 2 metres and more.

Nurseries sell potted poinsettias in tins or plastic bags, which you may transplant into a bigger container. Use a very light soil and water frequently.

Poinsettia produces insignificant small flowers, but its bright carmine upper leaves make this plant an extremely decorative one at the end of December.

Hollyhocks (*Althaea, haitii* in Hebrew) should be cut down to ground level after their flowers faded. They will come to life again in spring and bloom more vigorously by next summer.

Columbine goes by its Latin botanical name in Israel, *aquilegia*. A beautiful garden flower for growing in shade, it has by now finished its spring performance and produced seed pods where its lovely flowers have faded. Cutting off the seed pods promptly helps conserve their strength. You can buy potted

aquilegias at a plant nursery and transplant into window-boxes or other containers. It's a worthwhile investment for next spring. Don't be disappointed when the aquilegia foliage wilts and nearly disappears in winter — it's the way of nature. Mulch the container surface. When the first sprouts show through in early spring, remove the mulch and provide a general fertilizer.

Grapes. A light application of an organic liquid fertilizer will improve your crop, especially where soil is poor in nutrients.

Irises. July is the best time to thin out and transplant German irises (*Iris germanica, iris germani* in Hebrew), which are propagated by rhizomes. These irises need a well-drained garden bed with compost and superphosphate additions. Good drainage and full sun are also necessary for best results. They will bloom, but not so plentifully, in half-shade. German irises tolerate very warm and very cold weather, and are not bothered by night frosts and even snow in hilly regions.

Gardeners who "fail" with German irises, getting few or no flowers, have given them too much water during rainless periods.

Seedpods should be removed daily not only from annuals, but also from perennials like geraniums, fuchsias, etc. This will encourage a steady flower production.

Roses that bloom throughout the summer should be fed regularly. Several light feedings are better than one heavy one. When fertilizing with chemicals do not be frightened by the talk about hurting earthworms. If the plant-food concentration is too strong for them, they will disappear deeper into the ground or turn elsewhere.

When picking roses do not take unnecessarily long stems. By cutting just above the uppermost five-leaf cluster, enough foliage is left to produce more flower shoots.

Stunning violinist

MUSIC
Benjamin Bar-Am

THE ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA: Zubin Mehta, conducting, with Herta Perlman, violin; Thomas Moser, trumpet; "Singing City" choir of Philadelphia (directed by Elaine Brown); and the "Palmira" children's choir of Tel Aviv (directed by Eliot Janger). (Mazz Music, Tel Aviv, July 31. Ben-Haim: "To the Chief Musician: Concerto in D Minor for violin and orchestra, Op. 471. Berlin: "Te Deum" for three choirs, orchestra and organ, Op. 52.

AGAIN, as in most of the previous concerts, Perlman's playing inevitably stood at the centre of the programme. We have now heard him in four consecutive programmes and each time he stunned and overwhelmed anew.

Avoiding anything external, Sibelius concentrates in his concerto on musical expression only. Perlman turns this expression into abstract notions which cannot be defined but which uplift and transform the audience.

The second movement was the real climax, not a climax of virtuosity or drama but one which exalted and made the listener feel the unique greatness of the moment he has lived with Perlman. A capriccio by Paganini, played as encore, proved the other side of Perlman's mastery: a devilish virtuosity.

The other great expectation of the evening was Hector Berlioz's *Te Deum* but this was a great disappointment. What a poor harvest the huge apparatus of fully manned orchestra, choir, children's choir, organ and tenor solo reaped! It was not, of course, Mehta's fault. He directed the complicated traffic effectively and everything seemed just fine. But neither what he did nor Berlioz's efforts to impress us with sheer quantity, could cover the poverty of invention, the banality of melody and harmony, the absence of anything musically substantial.

What a pity the excellent forces, all at their best, were given such a thankless task.

The concert opened with a very sensitive performance of Ben-Haim's *To the Chief Musician*.

Simha Blass He watered the Negev

THE MAN who made it possible for the Negev to bloom, Simha Blass, died on Saturday in Tel Aviv. He was 84. His funeral cortege will leave for Nahlat Yitzhak cemetery in Tel Aviv at 3 p.m. today.

A scion of the Blass dynasty, he was born in Warsaw on December 15, 1897. He graduated from a technical school there and served in the Polish Army during World War I and then continued his studies in Berlin, where he met and was deeply influenced by David Ben-Gurion. The two were preoccupied by the chief problems confronting pioneers in Eretz Yisrael — the shortage of arable land and the scarcity of water.

After the British issued the White Paper of 1939, land purchase by Jews was limited, and Blass was approached by Dr. Arthur Ruppin to plan the settlement of the Negev. World War II intervened, but, in 1946, the implementation of Blass' work saw water brought to 11 Jewish settlements in the Negev, established simultaneously the night after Yom Kippur, and they assured that the Negev was included in the Jewish state when the UN adopted the Partition Plan in 1947. That water conduit also supplied local Beduin and the British police in the area. It was built from British army surplus and included pipes from fire-fighting equipment.

Simha Blass was also one of the organizers of the "illegal" manufacture and purchase of arms and ammunition on the eve of the War of Independence. By then he was already a prominent figure in the Yishuv. He had settled at Degania Bet in 1927 and by 1930, when he moved to Tel Aviv to open a private office, his inventions had resulted in a trebling of crops. His business was still advising kibbutzim, moshavim and other farmers on how to increase their yield.

Ben-Gurion sent Blass to join the Israel delegation at the UN in 1947 as an advisor on water problems. It was the first of many official appointments. Blass became head of the Ministry of Agriculture's water



Simha Blass, photographed in 1962.

division, director and chief engineer of the Mekorot water company, head of the Water Planning Authority, an advisor to the cabinet and director and chief planner for Tahal, which sought new water sources. His "Water into Bread" ideas enjoyed wide government support.

Blass was also a distinguished member of the Histadrut Central Committee and, in the early Fifties, chairman of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on Power Planning. He supervised the construction of the Yarkon-Negev pipeline, ceremonially opened on July 14, 1955, which made the development of the Negev's towns and villages possible. He was the chief planner and executioner of the National Water Carrier which brought water from Kinneret to the south of the country.

Blass deeply believed that adequate and reliable water planning was the basis for Israel's political and economic independence and was a vocal advocate of investment in water development. In 1968, when he was 71, Blass designed a revolutionary method of drip irrigation in which plastic pipes trickled water and fertilizer directly to the roots of plants. This system has spread all over the world.

The International Congress on Water and Irrigation honoured Blass with a special award in 1978 and the following year President Yitzhak Navon awarded him a special prize for his applied research and success with drip irrigation.

Blass is survived by his wife, Yehudit, and three sons, Yitzhak, Yeshayahu and Haim. A.Z.

David Frankfurter

Killing a gauleiter

DAVID FRANKFURTER, who created a sensation in Europe in 1936 when he shot and killed a Nazi official in Switzerland, died in Tel Aviv Sunday night at the age of 73.

A native of Yugoslavia, Frankfurter was a student in Switzerland when he went to the Davos home of Gauleiter Wilhelm Gustloff, a stranger who was known as a top Nazi agent and fired five shots from a pistol at him, killing him on the spot.

Frankfurter was born in Durovar in Croatia in 1909. His father, a renowned rabbi, had taught him Jewish history, inculcating in him a sense of Jewish morality and honour.

At his trial Frankfurter said he resolved to kill Gustloff when he saw that the poison of Nazism was spreading all over Switzerland. He was defended by Dr. Eugene Corti, a non-Jew and one of Switzerland's foremost lawyers, who recalled Shalom Schwarzbard, a frail Jewish watchmaker who in Paris in 1925 shot a Ukrainian general responsible

for the murder of Jews in Peltura. Schwarzbard, though not a citizen of France, was acquitted.

The Swiss court found Frankfurter guilty and sentenced him to 18 years of hard labour. He served ten years of that sentence and was released on the condition that he was banned from Switzerland for the rest of his life.

When Frankfurter was released in 1945, he came to Israel and after the War of Independence joined the Ministry of Defence, where he worked until his retirement in 1974. In 1948, he published a book about his trial, *Nakom* (Vengeance). The parliament of the canton of Graubunden removed the ban on his entry to Switzerland in 1969.

Shortly before he died at Ichilov Hospital, he was visited by Prime Minister Menachem Begin, an old acquaintance.

Frankfurter is survived by his wife Bruria, two children, Moshe and Miriam, and two grandchildren. A.Z.

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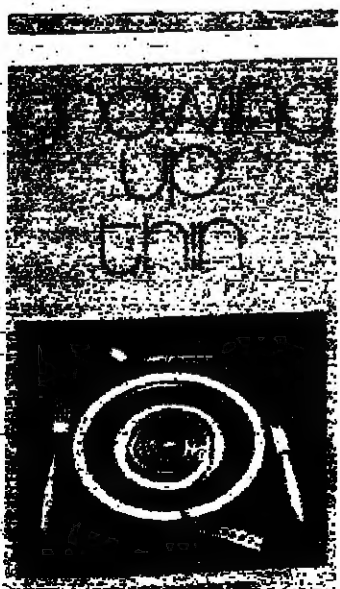
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For many, the programmes of the NPS are not new, they have been successful for many years. But even those who are familiar with their activities may not be aware of the new "roving camps" for teenagers, according to Tavi Waldman, who heads the NPS holiday programme.

Scheduled to run from two to five days, the camps range from special trips for those interested in archaeology or desert caves to special trips for those who wish to help in the society's ecological activities.

Like the adult hikes, they vary in difficulty — from those appropriate to most youngsters to difficult excursions for those who can swim well and are not averse to rapping up and down sheer rock surfaces.

Because these hikes for young people are a new feature, there are still places available on most of them.

This is not the case, for example, with the sleep-away camps for

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter

Youngsters completing second to fifth grade at NPS field schools. Those for teenagers and children have been booked up for some months, but there are a few places left at the Ahar Tower and Maagan Michael field schools for older children.

In all, the society has organized 22 summer camps, each lasting five days. Those who are sorry to have missed out in the summer season, should keep in mind that now is the time to reserve for Sukkot, says Waldman.

For that matter, he says, it is not too early to reserve for the society's family holiday programmes for Sukkot at the various field schools around the country, although there are some places left for families for the coming months as well.

THE FAMILY holidays, which usually last from three to five days, entail a stay in a field school, which in terms of accommodation is

midway between youth hostel and hotel. Rooms containing single beds can accommodate up to four and have adjoining toilets and showers. Kosher meals are provided by the field school.

The schedule, says Waldman, is usually an easy one, taking into consideration that families come for a holiday rather than a strenuous experience. Most outings are planned for half a day, with lunch at the field school. Those who prefer to stay behind are free to do so.

Designed for those with children aged five and up, they usually involve outings in which each family takes its own car. "We don't plan the kind of holiday that entails another holiday afterwards to rest up," says Waldman.

All this, of course, is in addition to the regular Nature Protection Society hikes that continue through the summer, as they do all year round.

For those who do not know any

Hebrew, there are a number of hikes that are specially arranged with either an English-speaking guide or both English- and Hebrew-speaking guides. These are listed in a special booklet in English.

IN FACT, the NPS has so many activities of various sorts, one of the most difficult parts of taking advantage of them is just wading through the fine-print of the regular society brochure. It is often a good idea to visit the local office of the NPS to see just what is available, both from the local branches and from the national office.

On very special series of hikes, English-speaking guides are available to visitors and residents of Jerusalem. There are daily hikes through the Judean Hills and tours three times a week to out-of-the-way sites in the city itself. Neither requires advance registration.

For information on these and other tours and facilities, contact the Nature Protection Society in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv or Haifa.

There, for example, once can receive a special list of activities that are suitable for those who observe Shabbat, find out about special courses for nature photography, hikes for expert camel riders (as well as beginners), or even star-gazing trips.

The last includes a special weekend at the Mt. Gilo Field School and a free night of meteor watching at the Yarkon Park, near



Nature Protection Society summer camp for kids.

Rosh Ha'ayin on the night of August 11. The guides will wait at the entrance to the site from 8 p.m. until at least 10 p.m. — and later, if

people keep coming. Then participants will go for a night tour of the Antipatros Fortress and a night of watching stars and meteors, with ex-

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Last summer, night after night, the telly showed gruesome scenes of stone-throwing and bottle-throwing mobs against massed rows of police, of bloodied policemen lying on the pavement. There was intense discussion in the media as to why this has all come about.

Of course, one could walk along the quiet streets of Hampstead or walk peacefully through Regents Park — in the daytime. I recently spent more than a fortnight in London without ever seeing or experiencing any violence. It was very like the "England" I knew 40 years ago. Yet anxious people tell me that it is not safe to travel by tube late at night, to walk alone on dark streets, that people are afraid of being mugged and of staying at home alone. It is difficult to reconcile oneself with that kind of image of England.

OF COURSE that is not the real picture of Britain. The countryside is as beautiful as ever, still peaceful villages and the friendliness of the people in "the provinces," politeness in the street, orderly queues at bus stops and the quiet pride of being "English."

The media are full of the problems of unemployment, of the "sinking" pound sterling. Yet if you didn't "read all about it," you might not know. Shops are full of customers, restaurants crowded, hotels fully booked although everybody complains of the high prices. In fact, hotels in London are not more expensive than their equivalent in Switzerland or Germany, and certainly not more pricey than in Scandinavia.

Airports are more or less the same all over Europe, but should you decide to cross over to the Continent by train and boat, you find that the scene at Victoria Station seems archaic. The train is late arriving at the Continental platform, and a large queue builds up. The platform has no benches; no announcement is made when the train is expected. Three railway guards can say only that the train must be

Travels with a Eurailpass

By ERIC LUCAS/Special to The Jerusalem Post

cleaned, and so we stand for nearly 40 minutes. A few young Americans with their nylon rucksacks talk to everybody around, and soon enough I know at what university they are studying. The scene is drab and dull, the strain seems pointless. But once on board and travelling through the lovely Kentish countryside, the dark railway station is easily forgotten.

Arriving by train in Dover recalls the excitement of earlier years when rows of porters lined the platform. Today, in spite of nearly three million unemployed, not a single porter is in sight. The young people, with their rucksacks, don't need them. The middle-aged and elderly drag their wheeled suitcases like reluctant dogs behind them. It is quite a stretch to the boat.

It is one class only on the ferry; youngsters in jeans stretch out on the upholstered seats in the lounges or sprawl on the decks. Queues form quickly at the self-service cafeteria and, of course, at the duty-free shop. The rubbish bins begin to overflow with empty beer cans and sticky plastic wrappers. The sedate but expensive restaurant is quite full too, no doubt meant for the former first-class passengers. It is a Belgian ship; the waiters are really courteous. The sea is smooth, the sun shining and there are ships passing by — what a civilized way to travel. Three-and-a-half hours pass very quickly.

Ostend: hundreds of passengers stand crowded together, as in the tube during rush-hour. The ship is at a stand-still, but its steel doors remain closed. We stand and wait for a good half hour.

Long covered walks are again ahead of us, and the crowd thickens at the barrier of the Belgian customs. It is said that you cannot remember pain. Luckily, you also do not reflect too long on discomfort. The first-class carriage of a Belgian train restores your equilibrium. Whoever invented the Eurailpass deserves a medal. For comparatively little money, it takes

you all over Western Europe in fast trains, no addition for first-class Trans-European Expresses, from Sicily to Norway, from Paris to Athens. Why Britain has not joined the system remains a mystery. Few Israelis, but certainly thousands of Americans, use the Eurailpass.

ONCE IN FRANCE a new railway world opens. French trains are among the fastest in Europe. Part of the new line between Lyon and Paris is already working. You speed across the French countryside at 260 kph, making the trip faster than by plane, if you take the time to and from the airports into account. You can see most of France going by fast electric trains.

I have often wondered how different the Israeli scene would have been, had we built a fast electric train service in the Fifties from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. On a Thursday morning, not fewer than a thousand people travel from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv, most using their own car, burning up petrol and collecting mileage.

The smaller provincial towns in France, like Tours, Caen, Bayeux have their own quiet charm; the hotels are comfortable, clean and a lot cheaper than in the rest of Europe. The chateaux of the Loire are packed with sightseers, and most of them are French.

The train that takes you from Paris to Cologne retraces the gigantic German wartime flanking movement from Germany via Belgium into France, Compiègne, St. Quentin, Liege, but now you are hardly aware of the borders between France and Belgium, or between Belgium and Germany. A very perfunctory check, if the border police bother at all to come into the carriage. That is real peace between countries. It may be that the Middle East will learn this lesson one day without more wars.

MAYBE BECAUSE it is a quiet Bavarian university, the students sit quietly and listen to my lecture

about "The Israeli-Arab Issue." Politely they tap their desks, their way of applauding. The subsequent discussion centres mostly on the phenomenon of the kibbutz, the continuous existence of which puzzles them.

In a larger Westphalian town, the Christian-Jewish Association announces my lecture in the local papers and in most of the churches, unknown to me. When we arrive at the local synagogue hall, three conspicuous police cars are waiting. Before anyone may enter the hall, the place is carefully searched.

Some 16 km. from the town, surrounded by wheat fields and sleek cows in luscious meadows, is a private boarding school, whose students are off on summer holiday. Its well-appointed rooms and vast lawns are put at the disposal of the International Schools Association. Gathered together are headmasters and teachers from Australia, the U.S., Nigeria, Tanzania, Britain, Denmark, Germany, Israel and elsewhere. Every afternoon, when the conference debates come to an end, the 150 participants and their hangers-on (which includes me) are taken to receptions and shown the sights.

One afternoon we are taken to a tile factory. Why I don't know, nor do the teachers. We admire countless patterns of tiles for floors and walls; we are shown the whole process of production, which includes viewing the furnaces, a dozen or so in a row with their arched doors set in a huge wall. Their doors are sealed, but the heat emanating from them is quite strong. I feel peculiar, not dizzy, not sick, standing, staring at these rows of ovens. Suddenly a hand is put on my shoulder. A young German teacher, not yet 30, quietly says, "Come, let's go." It may be that there are tears in his eyes, that his voice almost breaks.

We walk out together into the warm summer evening. We do not talk. There is no need. Much later, when we sit at rustic wooden tables, he speaks to me in excellent English. "All my generation can really do is to make sure, quite, quite sure, it never happens again."

Even surrounded by the serene beauty of a mountain village in Switzerland, even after long hikes along the paths, carved out of the hillsides, I bother to look at the newspapers. I don't want to miss the eight o'clock television news. A month seems a long time to be away from Israel. Europe is beautiful, but so is the little country where I live, because there is home and there is the heart.

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By MICHAEL YUDELMAN/Jerusalem Post Reporter



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...forget about going abroad, and over sophisticated, swinging Tel v.

...wanted, some places in Tel Aviv somewhat short on atmosphere somewhat less than beautiful, who says you have to go there? Tel Avivian minute sometimes more than 60 seconds to it, but city is so bubbling with activity sizzling with things to do, that d wish the days were even per.

...et's start with the beaches, ch are also a good place to tire dren out for the day. Some 10 hes are open this season, and

some of them are even safe for swimming. The northern Country Club beach, as it is known, is quite pleasant, but you need a car to get there. The "old Sheraton" beach, near the old port of Tel Aviv, is still used mostly to see and to be seen; so if you're slim, tanned, athletic and have the latest purse-busting bathing suit, go there by all means. I wouldn't vouch for the state of the water, but if you're wearing that kind of bathing suit, you wouldn't want it to get wet anyway.

A little further south is the "religious beach" intended for observant women who come there — and bathe — fully clothed, wig and all. The reason I mention this beach is that it has one big advantage: being a women's beach, you can sunbathe in the nude without being hassled by men. The religious women don't seem to mind.

Then there's the Hilton beach, with a special sundeck (which costs extra) and restaurant, the Marina beach, Gordon Beach, Frishman beach and so on.

They all have lifeguards, sunseats for hire and kiosks for refreshments. Some have changing rooms and toilets, but I have always made great efforts — and have so far succeeded — not to use them. Although soldiers returning from Lebanon say these are cleaner than toilets in Beirut.

From around Gordon Street, the renovated promenade leads south, along Rehov Hayarkon, providing a

magnificent coastal view and, much more important, some restaurants and ice-cream kiosks on the way.

One of them is famous for its servings of watermelon and salty cheese, but it also has fish meals, salads and snacks. These places are usually full at night, especially on hot nights when they provide the only breeze available in town.

A couple of blocks east of Rehov Hayarkon is Dizengoff, with the flashiest clothes stores, most expensive boutiques and, of course, the cafes. If you haven't learned by now, you will soon discover that Tel Avivians are an outgoing people, who like spending large chunks of their life on the streets, preferably on Dizengoff.

That's why, walking down Dizengoff, you always get the feeling that everyone's on vacation. Doesn't anyone work in this town, you might be tempted to ask yourself. I've often pondered this mystery, myself. The best time to promenade, naturally, is Friday afternoon. Then just pick the cafe with the most interesting-looking people (this is difficult sometimes because the cafe's facade may be misleading) and sit down.

Soon you'll see a seemingly endless parade of Beautiful People — wearing anything to almost nothing — pass by, hobnobbing, greeting friends with shrieks and hugs.

This is the place to hear about Friday night's wild parties and to pick up on the current fashion.

But beware: what you might take to be the latest fashion may be someone's old beach clothes. It's very confusing. Here you may rub elbows with a local movie producer or starlet, spill your beer in the lap of some famous singer or get your ankles entangled in the leash of the puppy belonging to a glamorous model.

If you're the more active type, you might like to start the day at the Bezalel Market, a Tel Aviv landmark whose days are numbered if the city goes ahead with its plans to obliterate this dusty pearl in favour of modern commercial structures.

The Bezalel market is just off King George Street, which is full of old-fashioned grocery stores, musty clothing stores, bolts, screws and nuts. At Bezalel Market (or, for that matter, in the stores on King George Street) you can find all kinds of bargains — and get a taste of old Tel Aviv.

Then cross Allenby and find yourself in the Carmel Market — a feast of brilliant colours and an abundance of fruit, vegetables and delicacies. If you've restrained yourself and not bought an Iraqi pita, which you've then filled with labane or humus from another stand, and eaten with great pungent olives, then take yourself to the Yeminite Quarter a few metres away. Here you can really enjoy the architecture — where it hasn't crumbled away — of days gone by and a very special atmosphere.

Also, some very good ethnic restaurants in which a hearty soup bowl and Iraqi pita may well constitute an entire meal. The best humus, tehina, egg-plant salads and

soups are to be found in this quarter.

If you're into the blander foods, Ben Yehuda Street has a series of *heimishe* little restaurants, and further uptown you'll find Chinese, Hungarian, Rumanian, French and other restaurants.

But if you like market places, you simply cannot pass up Jaffa's flea market, with its beautiful Bucharian or Persian velvet bedspreads, copper lampshades and yellowing lace bridal gowns, curtains and other items. Also in Jaffa are the art galleries along the ancient wall of the old quarter and the little cafes with their magnificent view of the coast and the Tel Aviv skyline.

Jaffa is particularly well-known for its fish restaurants, some of which are right by the water, and risque nightclubs.

Nightlife in Tel Aviv can be a dressy affair, like a theatre and dinner — or a bohemian rhapsody, like a round of the pubs. Others prefer piano bars and discos, while still others will opt for watermelon and salty cheese at the beach.

Jaffa is lovely at night, but you might prefer to see a movie. (A few cinema halls are showing morning shows during the school holidays, very convenient "babysitters" for kids while you're having a good time.)

Oops, I've forgotten about culture. Let's see, there's the Tel Aviv Museum, Ha'aretz Museum, Beth Hatefutsoth, the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Habimah National Theatre... but come on, you're on holiday.

As a friend of mine says, culture is hard work. Let's go to the beach and see the performing arts.

Discovering the north

By GREER FAY CASHMAN/Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE MOST popular direction in today is north. While the army media flock to Lebanon, or Israelis are beginning to discover the Galilee. Hotels in Tzuriya have reported significant increases in registrations, and though the picture is not quite as rosy in other parts of the Galilee, there is no doubt that domestic tourism has definitely picked up.

Many Israelis who may have hesitated to take holidays abroad, says Uzi Werner, chairman of the Tourism Promotion Committee of the Israel Hotels Association, "are coming home. There are a number reasons for this."

According to Werner, Israelis have been exposed to negative reactions in Greece, Cyprus, France, Austria and other vacation destinations. And he sees no reason why their vacations should be marred by anti-Israeli sentiments expressed abroad.

"Most people who come to the Galilee really know very little about the area," he says, "and these vacations are eye-openers. A vacation in Israel can be just as interesting as

any overseas holiday." Israel Resort Hotels in the Galilee, of which Werner is director, have been getting a lot of walk-in business lately. Without making prior reservations, people are simply coming in and asking for a room for a couple of nights.

Compared to the first couple of

weeks of Operation Peace for Galilee, tourism to IRH hotels has improved. But Werner concedes "there are very few bookings for subsequent months. When you consider Israel's image as portrayed in news headlines around the world, it is understandable that potential holidaymakers hesitate to plan this year's vacation here." Any gains in bookings are primarily domestic.

Faced with the prospect of a bleak summer, hotels and guest houses in the Galilee are increasing their attractions and reducing their prices in the hope of luring more Israelis to the north.

IRH HOTELS, as part of a family package, have introduced free summer camps for children from 3 to 13. The camps are fully supervised by trained counsellors and sports instructors, and the comprehensive, time-absorbing range of activities ensures that parents can enjoy their own vacations, without having their children constantly underfoot.

As a further incentive, IRH make no accommodation charge for two children up to the age of 13 who stay in the same room as their parents. The only charges these youngsters incur are for meals.

Some months ago, the Gali Kinnereth Tiberias, in conjunction with The Jerusalem Post, introduced a nation-wide Scrabble contest, which caught on like wild fire, and brought a sea of new faces to the edge of the lake.

The Scrabble contest is over, but other activities continue — concerts, films, panel discussions, folklore happenings, foods-of-the-nations evenings, with special emphasis on the culinary delights of Morocco, Egypt, Italy and Greece; and outings to surrounding areas.

The Galilee offers more to the tourist than do many of the world's better-known vacation spots. The curative properties of the sulphur-

thermo-mineral springs of Tiberias, located on the biblical site of Hammat, have been known for more than 2,000 years. Other mineral springs in the region provide drinking water for digestive ailments.

And there are ample opportunities for sports enthusiasts to indulge in fishing, surfing, boating, swimming, tennis and horseback riding.

Walking and motorized tours through the mountains reveal some of the most breathtaking scenery in Israel. The Galilee is truly nature's wonderland.

Relics of bygone eras abound — remains of ancient synagogues, Roman, Greek and Crusader ruins, graves of great Talmudic scholars and many sites mentioned in both the Old and New Testaments. An intensive journey through the Galilee is a living confrontation with the Bible; and it is an interesting exercise to take along copies of both the Bible and Professor Ze'ev Vilnay's *Israel Guide*, with its detailed explanations.

There are numerous museums, both of natural history and archaeology. Some of them are located in kibbutzim, and all add further dimensions to the confrontation with the past.

For art-lovers, the art colonies of Safad and Ein Hod will be a rich experience.

SETTLEMENT HISTORY of modern Israel is closely linked with the Galilee, which is where the first kibbutz (Deganya Alef, founded in 1909) and first moshav (Nahdai, established in 1921) are located.

For anyone taking his first Galilee vacation, and looking for a unique base from which to explore the north, the Rimon Inn in Safad is an ideal starting point. Originally a Turkish Post Office Inn, providing shelter and hospitality for travellers passing through the Upper Galilee, it has retained its original atmosphere.

The stable, on the lower garden level, has been converted into a din-

ing room, but the built-in stone hoops on the walls, to which the horses were tied, have been left as a permanent reminder of the past.

The complex of buildings constructed above and around the dining room are in the same architectural style — with the addition of modern comforts.

The general feeling is more that of a motel than a hotel, with many of the rooms accessible through small, private courtyards. Terraced lawns and gardens lead to a swimming pool, which overlooks one of the most spectacular views of the northern resort area. The hotel is literally a stone's throw from the Safad artists' quarter.

The Galilee is the new focus of tourism promotion efforts at home and abroad. The Ministry of Tourism, together with local bodies, is planning a series of festivals and happenings as an extra attraction.

ASIDE FROM its varied and manifold attractions, the Galilee puts little strain on the vacationer's budget. There is a myth in Israel that charter flight destinations, such

as Crete, Palma de Majorca and Nice, are less costly than holidays at home.

Werner begs to differ. Pulling out a file of comparative figures, he notes that during the month of July a one-week vacation in Crete — including flights and half-board in a four- or five-star hotel, costs between \$400 and \$500; and up to \$600 in Palma de Majorca or Nice. The Rimon Inn charges IS1,200 a day for half-board, including VAT and service. One doesn't have to be a mathematician to see the difference.

When going abroad on a charter flight, most of the first day is wasted in flight and airport formalities, and the same holds true for the last day; so a one-week vacation is really a five-day vacation. Since check-out time in most Israeli hotels is noon, the domestic tourist can leave his or her luggage at the hotel reception desk while making the most of the remaining half day of the holiday.

In America, the advice to the ambitious and adventurous used to be "Go West, young man." In Israel, it's "Go North!"

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Money Matters

Shares are mixed to lower

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

TEL AVIV. — Popular averages, due to the fact that they are weighted, do not always give a true picture of stock market performance. Yesterday The General Share Index was up by over 0.5 per cent, but other statistics pointed to a highly mixed and downward trending market. A full 56 issues showed changes of more than 5%.

There were 15 “sellers only” situations, compared with only three “buyers only.” Turnovers, however, were up and crossed the 1542m. mark.

The index-linked bond market, helped by the Bank of Israel, was ahead by small margins.

The shekel was devalued by 12 agorot against the dollar, which reflected renewed strength in New York trading. United Mizrahi was among the first of a group of American banks to lower the prime rate to 16%. Eurodollar rates were

soft and under 14% for three months.

Commercial banks were higher. Maritime Bank 0.1 was ahead by 1%, but Danot 5.0 suffered an 8.8% loss.

Insurance issues closed out the session on the plus side. Aryeh maintained its winning ways and advanced to 1.505 after a 23-point gain.

In the services group Lighterage 0.5 was up by nearly 5%. Dan Hotels 1.0 was down 7.1%.

Real Estate and land development equities continued their recent strong upward move. Africa-Israel 0.1 picked up a full 10%, but HLB Real Estate 0.1 was down by a

Closing price	Change	Volume	Closing price	Change	Volume
Commercial Banks & Banking			Commercial Services & Utilities		
IDB prf	29000	+800	Hadar 1.0	755	-5
IDB	2463	+4	Hadar 5.0	1045	+12
IDB B r	2463	+4	Hassneh b	1045	+10
IDB prf A	7450	—	Hassneh b	3610	+10
IDB op 7	6120	—	Phoenix 0.1 r	1255	n.c.
IDB op 9	3500	—	Phoenix 0.3 r	942	-31
Union r	2575	+5	Yardenia 0.1 r	1850	n.c.
Union op 4 r	1810	+3	Yardenia 0.3 r	850	n.c.
Union op 7	2345	+20	Yardenia op 1	574	n.c.
Discount r	3047	+10	Sahar b	4105	-30
Discount A r	3047	+10	Sahar b	4700	n.c.
Discount op 1	3920	+16	Securitas r	1657	-15
Discount B	1715	+1.0	Securitas op 2	—	—
Mizrahi r	1077	+2	Zur b	700	n.c.
Mizrahi b	1077	+4	Zur op 1	655	-5
Mizrahi op 3	9905	—	Zion Hold. 1.0	1055	-20
Mizrahi op 10	1728	-1.2	Zion Hold. 5.0	400	-6
Mizrahi op 7 r	3410	+15	Zion Hold. 5.0	234	-1
Mizrahi op 7 r	2940	—	Commercial Services & Utilities		
Mizrahi op 9 r	1810	-3.5	Delek r	3065	-80
Mizrahi op 1 r	2415	+25	Delek b	2250	n.c.
Mizrahi op 3 r	1805	+3	Delek b	2300	+25
Mizrahi op 5 r	1912	-139	Harel	310	+2
Hapoalim prf b	3501	-388	Harel op 1	394	-30
Hapoalim prf b	1998	+7	Dan Hotels 1.0	337	n.c.
Hapoalim prf b	14110	—	Dan Hotels 5.0	25001	—
Hapoalim op 4 r	11850	n.c.	Cold Store 0.1 r	13191	-59
Hapoalim op 4 r	6750	+180	Cold Store 1.0 r	—	—
Hapoalim op 11	3170	n.c.	Lighterage 0.1	21350	+1000
Hapoalim op 12	2875	+34	Lighterage 0.5 r	—	—
Hapoalim op 12	4440	n.c.	Lighterage op 2	—	—
Hapoalim op 8 r	3040	n.c.	Magor	825	-90
General A	3255	+17	Magor op 1	307	-30
General op 8	6415	n.c.	Nikuv 1.0	551	29
General op 4 r	4080	-10	Nikuv 5.0	382	20
General op 5 r	1537	+7	Nikuv op 1	350	-32
Leumi op 12	8800	+30	Consolid. Hold.	1535	-82
Leumi op 12	2100	+40	Consolid. op 1	1393	-65
Leumi op 9 r	741	+3	Rapac 0.1 r	160	-33
Leumi op 11	109.5	+1.0	Rapac 0.5 r	420	n.c.
OHBI r	1725	+0.1	Rapac op 2	1400	-15
OHBI r	770	-10	Supersol A	733	+16
Danot 1.0	417	-40	Supersol B	—	—
Danot 5.0	190.0	-10.0	Land Development Building, Citrus		
Danot op 2	190.0	-10.0	Oren	538	-2
FBI op 1 r	1020	-7	Oren op 1	480	n.c.
FBI r	1020	-7	Asorim r	587	-25
Mortgage Banks			Asorim op C	1195	-40
Adanil 0.1	1142	n.c.	Asorim op D	585	-10
Gen Mige r	915	-15	Africa 0.1 r	8894	+809
Gen Mige b	925	-10	Africa op 1	5140	+87
Gen Mige op 117	2140	—	Africa op 2	7545	+809
Carmel r	884	—	Arifedon 0.1	1075	+15
Carmel b	884	—	Arifedon 0.5	640	n.c.
Carmel op A	1327	n.c.	Arifedon op A	832	+22
Carmel op B	683	-1	Darad	600	+30
Carmel op C	845	-44	Darad op 1	2573	+190
Dev & Mige r	560	-15	ILDC	1915	+40
Dev & Mige b	570	-10	ILDC op A	1915	+40
Dev & Mige op 95	1125	n.c.	ILDC op B	1340	+1000
Mishkan r	1506	+3	ILDC op 4	1400	+75
Mishkan b	2750	+20	ILDC op 6	3680	-30
Tefatob prf r	3550	+200	ILDC op 4 r	610	-68
Tefatob prf b	3550	+200	HLB Realty 0.1 r	341	n.c.
Tefatob r	3010	+210	HLB Realty 0.5 r	32000	+1900
Tefatob op A	2574	n.c.	Modul Beton	1173	+3
Tefatob op B	194.5	-5	Prop & Bldg r	2050	n.c.
Mezav r	520	+5	Prop & Bldg C	2550	+50
Mezav op 3	6100	+50	Bayasid 0.5 r	1920	n.c.
Financing Institutions			Bayasid op 3	1030	-15
Shilton r	245	n.c.	Bayasid op 3	578	+15
Shilton op B	735	-5	Isro op 3	1300	n.c.
Shilton op 3	237	+1	Isro op 3	392	n.c.
Shilton op 5	219	+15	Isro op 3	255	-10
Shilton op 1	343	+15	Cohen Dev.	254	-20
Shilton op 2	371	+1	Cohen Dev. op 1	221	+12
Oz. Lataasaya r	584	-63	M.T.M. 1	796	-10
Oz. Lataasaya b	583	-62	M.T.M. 5	520	n.c.
Agriculture prf A	5999	+24	M.T.M. op 1	440	n.c.
Ind Dev prf A	5780	-10	Mehadrin r	6500	-150
Clal Lease 0.1 r	600	-63	ICP r	2801	—
Clal Lease 0.5 r	306	n.c.	ICP op 1	3630	n.c.
Clal Lease op A	569	-82	ICP op 2	1700	+30
Clal Lease op B	306	n.c.	ICP op 3	1615	n.c.
Clal Lease op 1	161.0	-7.0	ICP op 4	1615	n.c.
Insurance			ICP op 5	1615	n.c.
Aryeh r	1505	+23	ICP op 6	1615	n.c.
Aryeh op r	28500	+700	ICP op 7	1615	n.c.
Aryeh op 1	1148	n.c.	ICP op 8	1615	n.c.
Ararat 0.1 r	1600	+103	ICP op 9	1615	n.c.
Ararat 0.5 r	590	+50	ICP op 10	1615	n.c.
Reinsurance 0.1 r	1320	+14	ICP op 11	1615	n.c.
Reinsurance 0.4 r	558	n.c.	ICP op 12	1615	n.c.

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Investment & Holding Companies			Real Estate & Land Development		
Unico r	1188	-82	Frutaron r	670	-1
IDB devel. r	1078	-120	Frutaron b	760	+1
IDB devel. op 1	1350	+50	Unico b	1188	-82
Elgar r	1640	+14	IDB devel. op 1	1350	+50
Elgar b	2740	+130	Elgar r	1640	+14
Elgar op 1	2680	+72	Elgar b	2740	+130
Elgar op 2	1165	-120	Elgar op 1	2680	+72
Elgar op 3	1220	+20	Elgar op 2	1165	-120
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similar figure. Solel Boneh advanced by more than 6%, while the Rascos shares were up by small margins.

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Time for Hussein to think

THE WAR in Lebanon will plainly take some more time to wind down. But the time to start thinking of the peace that should emerge from it is right now. This must involve, in significant measure, an effort to solve the Palestinian problem, and it requires the active participation of Jordan, the country with the largest concentration of Palestinians.

Jordan's King Hussein appears to agree, or he would not have advised the U.S., in an interview published in *Time* magazine, to reassess its attitudes in the light of what he called the "holocaust" in Lebanon. But in fact it is Jordan itself that should be first to undertake a reassessment of its own attitudes — to a peace settlement with Israel.

The existence of Israel, the Hashemite monarch grants, is no longer in question. What are in question, he argues, are Israel's actions, positions, complexes and hostility. The implication is that Israel's obsession with security is merely the manifestation of a hostile complex, and has no bearing whatever on Israel's stand on the Palestinian issue.

By way of a cure, King Hussein proposes, once again, an international conference. This, it may be assumed, would decree Israel's withdrawal from all the occupied territories, and the setting up of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza.

Such an outcome is, of course, utterly unacceptable to Israel, and the method itself would only boost those forces in the Arab world, notably the PLO and Syria, both Russia's clients, which hold Israel's very existence to be the real issue at stake. In the Lebanese war the PLO has been nearly knocked out and Syria badly mauled. Their military discomfiture may not readily translate into a gain for peace, but there is surely no good reason to wipe out their defeat in the field of battle by granting these unregenerate enemies of peace, and of Israel, fresh international recognition.

King Hussein's argument is that the war in Lebanon has destroyed the Camp David framework for peace. But this is, at best, a premature conclusion. In the short run, it is true, the war has made more distant the prospect of a break in the present stalemate in the autonomy talks. But in the long run Camp David shapes up as the only promising avenue to peace — serving the interests not only of Israel and Egypt who signed it but of Jordan and the Palestinians as well.

Camp David's main defect, according to King Hussein, is that it has not brought on a solution to the Palestinian problem, which is "the root cause of instability in the area." But this has been due in no small degree to Jordan's own boycott of the Camp David process. The late President Sadat was not especially keen on Jordan's participation, but he would not have interposed a veto had King Hussein insisted on taking advantage of the opportunities offered him under the agreement.

These opportunities are truly vast. Jordan is invited to negotiate the details of the transitional autonomy arrangement. During the interim period, Jordanian forces are asked to take part, along with Israeli forces, in joint patrols and in the manning of control posts in the territories. Within two years of the autonomy, talks on the final disposition of the West Bank and Gaza are to start, and Jordan is named as a party to them along with Israel, Egypt and the representatives of the Palestinian inhabitants.

By joining the Camp David process, Jordan would not have secured Palestinian self-determination, leading to the establishment of an independent state, which it claims to be working for, nor would it have assured the reversion of the West Bank and the annexation of the Gaza Strip to Jordan, which may still be its true wish. But it would have helped thwart any plan for the incorporation of the territories into Israel's body politic, and it would have prevented any attempt at designating Jordan, as presently constituted, as the Palestinian homeland.

Fear of Syria and the PLO may have been a large part of the explanation for Jordan's reluctance to join the Camp David process in the past. This, at least, now ceases to be a good reason. It is time for the Hashemite monarch to reconsider whether, in his country's own interests, he should not seize the opportunities he has previously discarded. For if he does not, there is an inexorable political logic, fuelled as well by the Lebanese desire to see the Palestinians removed and resettled elsewhere, that will invigorate the idea that Jordan is and should be the Palestinian homeland.

SHAMIR ON THE WAR

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dialogue. You are disqualified for any dialogue with me."

Rom: "Knesset Member Eban, I'm sorry, but you're lying in what you said. I didn't say those things."

Rosolio: "Apologize! The whole House understood what you said. Except you!"

Savador: "Tell us what you said."

Rom: "I said that there were circles in the Alignment which, by talk about not entering Beirut, stiffened the stand of the terrorists. That's all I said."

Mordechai Gur (Alignment): "Now that you've heard it, Mr. Speaker, he must apologize."

Savador: "If that's what he said, it was quite parliamentary."

Shlomo Hillel (Alignment): "What's the position of the prime minister on this? Maybe you'll tell us."

Savador: "Knesset Member Rom. For the sake of good feeling and consensus, and since you said something that can't be proved, I propose that we strike your remark from the record."

Rom: "What I said, I said very politely and very rightly, and I don't think there's any reason for striking it from the record."

Savador: "All the Speaker can do is ask a Member to strike out his remarks. The Speaker cannot do it. Knesset Member Eban, please continue."

Other points made in the debate: Dov Zakai (Alignment-Mafam): The government is making a grave

mistake if it thinks that the autonomy negotiations and the Palestinian problem can be settled by a battle in Beirut and not by negotiations in Nablus and Hebron.

Rosolio: The prime minister has demonstrated once again that his parochial considerations are greater than his sense of national responsibility.

Chaim Herzog (Alignment): Operation Peace for Galilee has demonstrated that the foreign ministry cannot handle *hasbara* (information). There must be a minister at the cabinet table whose sole concern is *hasbara*.

Eliezer Avtibi (National Religious Party): Delegations of Lebanese citizens should be sent around the world to testify about what they suffered under the terrorists.

Mordechai Virshubski (Shinui): An Israeli initiative on granting true autonomy and freezing settlement in the heart of Judea and Samaria will help to free Israel from its increasing isolation.

Hillel: Hot heads from all extremes have joined forces in order to inject incitement into the political debate — and the Likud is exploiting the remarks of a small minority.

Rabbi Shmuel Halpert (Agudat Yisrael): The government should exhaust the political negotiations to get the terrorists out of Beirut and do everything to avoid bloodshed. The foreign minister's reply was deferred.

THE NEED FOR ATONEMENT

By DAVID KRIVINE

CRITICISM is directed at the Israeli Government for taking the Lebanese war too far, beyond the 40-km. target-line. What troubles many consciences in Israel is something different: the destruction that took place before and after that line was crossed — in Tyre, Sidon, Damour as well as in Beirut.

The extent has been exaggerated, the damage was unavoidable — all that is true, but the feeling remains. The world vents its indignation, we must put up with that. The rebukes we face reflect a sense of culpability within ourselves. We have to do penance; one way is to make good the damage as far as we can, though who will bring the dead to life?

More important is the need to make peace, not by imposing conditions but by negotiating an agreed settlement. That means territorial concessions. We have to make them, they are our bargaining card.

Recognition that sacrifices are necessary would be an act of atonement for the losses inflicted, providing the war with its ultimate justification.

THE WAR WAS NOT against the Lebanese, yet the Lebanese suffered. Whether we adopt the maximalist figures put out by unfriendly sources or the minimalist ones published by the army spokesmen, the fact remains that many innocent civilians were killed, many injured and many homes destroyed.

It is easy to shrug off responsibility, to blame Sharon, Begin, Eitan. It would be more honest to admit that the casualties could not in practice be prevented. The question to be asked is whether the hostilities should have been prevented. The accusation against us is that the Lebanese campaign was an unnecessary war.

If it had to be fought, the accompanying havoc had to happen. War is like that. The terrorists made it worse by trapping us shrewdly into performing cruelties. Equipped like an army, they scattered themselves among the civilians like the mafia. The foreign countries which reprimand Israel should bear witness, as Begin never tires of pointing out, that their own wars were not — and could not, with the

best will in the world — be conducted differently. Maimed children are not unique to this campaign.

Britain, for example, did things in World War II (like bombing German cities) that it — thankfully — has no need to do now. Israel is in the position Britain was in during the 1940s. The West should understand that.

What can legitimately be asked is, did the present assault on Lebanon have to be undertaken at this particular moment? Was it imperative?

Few of us thought so when it started. The reasons given were thin: terrorist crimes culminating in the attack of Ambassador Shlomo Argov.

This provoked an Israeli air attack. And this, in turn, prompted the PLO to shell Israel's northern settlements. The Government of Israel seemed to be seeking an excuse for military action.

It was only when the campaign was fought and won that most Israelis realized why it had become inevitable. The cause was not the shooting of Shlomo Argov, deeply though this terrible act is to be deplored. It was not the children of Kiryat Shmona stuck in stifling air-raid shelters either. Begin has a unique gift for misrepresenting his countrymen's motives.

THE LEBANESE offensive was launched to break the noose that was slowly and remorselessly tightening round Israel's neck.

What are the facts? We had got so used to them that we no longer saw them in perspective. Only one Arab leader broke the conspiracy of silence against us, Anwar Sadat. With him we made peace, on terms costly to ourselves but illustrating how much we want a settlement to the conflict.

The other Arab powers still refused to recognize Israel's existence, much less sit down and negotiate with us. They boycotted our economy, and forced others to boycott it, too. When our representatives mounted an international podium, in the UN or elsewhere, Arab delegates walked out.

At every opportunity they spat out their hate. There was not a conference anywhere, on any subject,

which did not provide a forum for anti-Israel invective. A generation of young Arabs was brought up to see Israel as a quasi-Nazi excrement that should be wiped out. Zionism became a dirty word.

PLO offices were opened round the world. Israel was made the scapegoat for all Middle East problems. The Iranian administration blamed Israel for Iraq's aggression: Iraq blamed Israel for Iran's counter-aggression.

A private army lay to hand, the PLO. A hapless country was found in which to deposit it, conveniently situated right along Israel's northern border. Syrian missiles, Russian-made, were placed at the disposal of the PLO in Lebanon. Caves were dug into hillsides as repositories for stores of arms.

It is not clear who was to use those arms: what is perfectly clear is whom they were to be used against. Everybody could read the signs. Immigration dropped, emigration rose. Jewish investment from abroad declined to a trickle. Begin's election success may have been in part a gesture of defiance. Perhaps he could be David to the world's Goliath. He was certainly good at verbal abuse against Israel's enemies.

CAME THE LEBANESE war, and the situation changed. The world is horrified at what the *London Economist* calls its "ruthlessness," but recognizes, however unwillingly, that Israel's power is greater than was thought. If there existed an international stock exchange measuring survivability, Israel's shares would be up today.

Three months ago, Lebanon was a Syrian client-state. It is so no more. Three months ago, the balance of power in the Middle East was steadily shifting away from Israel. Now the disparity has been redressed.

Three months ago, Israel's outcry against a massive military build-up by foreign intruders occupying Lebanese territory was ignored; today it is heeded. Operation Peace for Galilee has put Israel back on the map.

But where do we go from here? Each war we fought was, we hoped,

Dry Bones



the last war. Can this really be the last one now, or will the bloody eight-to-ten year cycle continue into the future?

ISRAEL TRIED conciliation in the past, before 1948, and it didn't work. Then we tried armed force, with repeated success. It didn't bring us peace. Nor did it bring us recognition. The only reasonable solution is a combination of armed force and conciliation.

Now that we have proved ourselves to be strong, we must compromise. We dared not compromise before. Henry Kissinger describes in his memoirs our dilemma after the Yom Kippur War: "Most of Israel yearned for both peace and the physical security of territory, and it could not decide between its longings and its fears."

The fears are now less, the longings greater than ever. The Allon Plan lies in a drawer, dusty and almost forgotten. New settlements in Judea and Samaria are thought to have made it obsolete. But that plan embodies the only viable solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict which might have a chance of acceptance by the other side.

Its name can be changed from the Allon Plan to the Autonomy Plan, if that helps preserve the framework of the Camp David Agreement. But the substance must be the same.

Autonomy, with continued Israeli sovereignty over all the disputed areas, as Begin desires, is not feasible. The Arabs won't buy it, even after the Lebanese defeat.

Autonomy has to mean a partition of the West Bank, with Arab-inhabited areas transferred to Jordan or federated with Jordan, at their will. That could be negotiable today.

The chances would be better still if an offer were also made to the Syrians, realistic enough to warrant a start at negotiations. Perhaps we could propose a condominium in the Golan, with Jewish settlements under Israel and Druze villages under Syria. Such an offer may not lead anywhere — but it's worth a try.

Israel has at the peak of her victory to make concessions, otherwise peace will remain beyond its reach. The acts of surrender are painful. There will have to be more Yomims, the tragic scene of that evacuation must be re-enacted, this time inside Erez-Yisrael.

It is the price Israel must pay. There is a need here for a reparation, which should be dedicated to our dead and to theirs. Generosity in peace-making is the only compensation there is for the brutalities of war.

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READERS' LETTERS

PEACE NOW

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I was present at the Peace Now rally with the intention of joining a counter-demonstration. It should have been obvious to any reporter that the great majority of the crowd was against Peace Now. Herziya.

Sir, — Trying to express our thanks to Israel for its Peace for Galilee liberation of Lebanon from its PLO murderous destroyers, two of us "Christians Concerned for Lebanon" attended Saturday's Peace Now rally in Tel Aviv. On our banner, we added some badly needed wisdom against the self-defeating futility of appeasement.

Relegated to the rear of the quite uncrowded main square by police rules that greatly hinder the democratic virtue of hecklers and promote the propaganda-unhindered-by-critical-truth exploitation of TV, we nonetheless had a clear view of the crowd, and much communication with many of its members, mostly uncommitted and just curious.

With the balcony empty, except for a few functionaries, the streets and adjoining areas of the square holding only uninvolved strollers, and the crowd tightly packed only in the northwest corner, the report carried by your paper and Israel TV that a plaza that, sardine-packed, could not hold over 70,000 people, had 100,000 attending, is preposterous. It is untrue, extremely injurious to Israeli morale at home and damaging to Israel's good name and support abroad.

Our estimate, based on some careful experience in crowd-estimating, was that the crowd was somewhere between 12 and 20 thousand.

NEWS BROADCASTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Performance of technicians at Kol Yisrael is so poor of late that announcers are often put on the air in mid-sentence, 30 seconds after they have begun to read the news. In any case, many news-hungry Israelis often tune in a moment too late. Why not go back to the old procedure of reading the headlines again at the end of every news broadcast?

TAL MERON
Metulla.

SURPLUS CROPS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I am mystified by periodic reports that surplus crops and fruit are destroyed in order to stabilize market prices.

In this Jewish State, totally unrealistic demands are made of the population in the name of the religious parties. Yet this very real point of *Halacha* is ignored. It is forbidden to waste or destroy food.

In this land of families blessed with many children, surely it is more than a point of ethics that, when produce is plentiful, prices must be reduced. How the farmers balance their books is a matter of agreement between them and the Ministry of Agriculture. Artificially inflated food prices because of the wilful destruction of food should not be at the expense of the lower socio-economic groups.

WENDY BLUMFIELD
Haifa.

KISHON ARTICLE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Thank you for printing that article of Ephraim Kishon on July 9. It certainly expresses perfectly the feelings of the (too) silent majority here in this country. M. BAUMEL
Jerusalem.

Sir, — With his column of July 9, Ephraim Kishon has surely outdone himself. Israel's most successful satirist has written yet another witty, clever and concise assessment of the present political and military situation. And a good thing that it was all tongue-in-cheek. Let anyone think the redoubtable Kishon was writing in all seriousness, they'd be embarrassed. Jerusalem.

There is no wrong-doing when a creative writer chooses to express explicit political views. There is, however, great disappointment when those views are full of half-truths, intolerance and rash judgment. Such writing then becomes the stuff of satire — or propaganda. ROBERT REES
Jerusalem.

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